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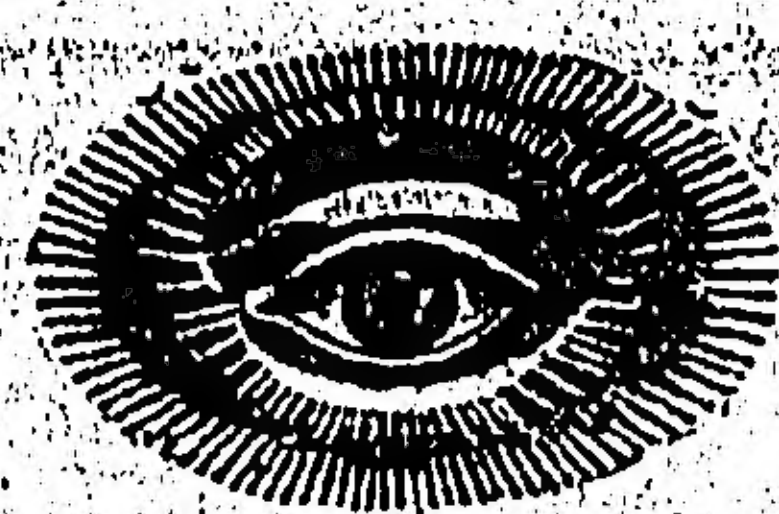
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## FIRING ON NANKING.

Northerners Subject City To Heavy Fusillade.

### SOUTHERNERS DEMORALISED.

Chinkiang Populace Scared By Military.

#### REPORTED VISIT OF CHIANG KAI-SHEK TO GERMANY.

Whether the Northern troops on the Pukow bank of the Yangtze intend to cross to Nanking or not, it appears that this city is being subjected to heavy fire by the Northerners. The Nationalists are now demoralised, though any actual attack on Nanking is not expected for the present as there is no shipping on the Pukow side for use as transport.

Admiral Tyrwhitt has left Shanghai for Hankow, from which centre there is no fresh news. The inhabitants of Chinkiang are in a panic and the city has been overrun by military.

Baron Tanaka has declared that the Japanese do not intend withdrawing their troops from Shantung at present.

Chiang Kai-shek is reported to be thinking of going to Germany.

## JAPAN AND SHANTUNG.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

A Japanese officer from the s.s. "Tating Maru" vividly narrates how that when the ship was on its way down river from Hankow at one o'clock on Wednesday afternoon they observed the Northerners at Pukow maintaining heavy machine gun and rifle fire in the direction of Nanking. The Southerners were replying intermittently.

The Japanese steamer was compelled to anchor for three hours owing to the fire and was eventually escorted through the danger zone by the Japanese destroyer "Hinoki." Though fire was opened on her, no serious damage was done.

The Northerners also fired on the "Tatu Maru" on its way up-river and two Chinese steamers carrying Southerners which unknowingly anchored on the Pukow side were seriously damaged by fire from the Northerners.

The situation at Chinkiang is unsettled and the inhabitants are panicky. The city is over-run by soldiers who at present number 60,000 all of whom have been evacuated from the North Bank as it is expected that Sun Chuan-fang's troops will occupy the North Bank.

Admiral Tyrwhitt.

Despite the demoralisation of the Southerners, the crossing by the Northerners is not expected to take place in the immediate future owing to shipping being wholly carried off to the South Bank.

Admiral Tyrwhitt, on board H.M.S. "Hawkins," left for Hankow this afternoon.—Reuter.

No Japanese Withdrawal.

Shanghai, To-day.

The following message has been received from Tokyo:

Although the Press urges the Government to use the present opportunity of withdrawing Japanese troops from Shantung and the Government is rumoured to be contemplating withdrawal, Baron Tanaka, Minister for Foreign Affairs, interviewed by Reuter, asserts that he has no intention of withdrawing the troops at present, the Government being of opinion that the present situation does not warrant such action.—Reuter.

Chiang For Germany?

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Large numbers of Nationalist troops have arrived.

It is rumoured that Chiang Kai-shek intends leaving for Germany.—British Naval Wireless.

British Naval Moves.

Chinkiang, Yesterday.

H.M.S. "Sterling" was fired at from the North bank above Chinkiang this morning. She replied with her main armament and demolished the fortresses whence the firing originated.

H.M.S. "Dauntless" has arrived here.

Southern troops continue to arrive from the North bank.—British Naval Wireless.

Eugene Chen.

Nanking, Yesterday.

Firing took place yesterday afternoon since, when calm, has prevailed. It is believed that negotiations are taking place between the commanders of the rival forces. Eugene Chen is ex-

## FIGHT AT SHANGHAI.

Chiang Forces Way Into French Town.

### GENDARMES WOUNDED.

New Account Of Nanking Chief's Moves.

Shanghai, Aug. 15.

Seven French gendarmes were shot and severely wounded when General Chiang Kai-shek at the head of 600 picked troops fought his way through the French concession today. He suited with his followers for Ningpo without making any announcement as to his motives. The common belief is that he is in flight from the advancing Northerners. The French police attempted to prevent him from crossing the concession and a street battle resulted. The Northerners are reported at the gates of Nanking and planning to move on Shanghai.—United Press.

#### Chiang Interviewed.

Fearing that he might be captured by the Northern forces, that are advancing in the direction of Nanking, General Chiang Kai-shek, head of the Nationalist army, fled to Shanghai last Saturday. He stayed in Shanghai until Sunday where he was heavily guarded by 600 devoted soldiers of the Nationalist army. When interviewed he gave out the following statement:

"I am the only one responsible for what happened. I consider it my duty to resign my leadership to give way to others who may be more able and influential than myself. From now on I will just be a plain member of the Kuomintang party, but will be ready to render my services when needed. I am ready to live up to this promise as long as I live."

General Chiang boarded yesterday a steamer bound for Ningpo, his native town.

The resignation of General Chiang Kai-shek as head of the Nationalist forces was received by the country with surprise. Many believe that the downfall of Nanking is now near at hand.

No claim is felt by the Chinese community of Manilla on the retirement of General Chiang Kai-shek as head of the Nationalist forces. Prominent Chinese leaders believe that his resignation will not greatly affect the Nationalist movement.

#### Manila Views.

Dee C. Chuan, who is personally known to General Chiang Kai-shek, states that his resignation will make possible the union of the Hankow and the Nanking forces in their fight against General Chang Tso-lin.

"His retirement," he said, "must have been the result of a compromise between the Hankow government and the Nanking government. It must be remembered that General Chiang was greatly hated by the Hankow radicals because of his antagonism against them. And as long as he remains the head of the Nationalist forces, he will not get the support of Hankow."

General Chiang Kai-shek, however, succeeded in driving the radicals from the Hankow government and to show that he does not seek his own personal glory he resigned to give way to other aspiring generals. "A Great General!"

The "Fookien Times," an afternoon Chinese daily, however, felt alarmed over the situation. In an editorial for the Monday issue the paper said:

"The whole country should feel deeply the sudden and unexpected exit of General Chiang from the scene of the great Chinese conflict. He was a great and highly respected general, and his retirement must be attributed to the petty jealousies of his subordinate chiefs. However, we must expect for the best, and whatever happens it is our hope that Nationalist movement will triumph."

Following was the cablegram received by the "Fookien Times" regarding General Chiang:

"Chiang Kai-shek, suddenly announced retirement because Tangsunze and Fengyuzhang and subordinate military leaders are dissatisfied with him Chiang reached Shanghai Saturday morning, and on the afternoon returned to Ningpo, his native town. Now all important Kuomintang officials of Nanking declared the retirement will result in downfall of government."—Philippines Herald.

tributors of letters have absconded.

#### To Learn Chinese.

New York City, Aug. 13.

American doughboys in China have been ordered to learn at least 800 words of Chinese if they want to be classed as fully trained members of their regiment, the army information bureau announced today.

Colonel Isaac Newell, in command of the 15th Infantry at Tientsin, issued the order for the purpose of decreasing allegations and misunderstandings.

## HONOLULU FLIGHT.

Body of Miss Doran Reported Found.

### A WIRELESS CLUE.

A Derelict Aeroplane and Man On A Raft.

Los Angeles, Yesterday.

An amateur wireless operator announces he intercepted a message from a ship reporting the finding at sea of a derelict aeroplane and a raft carrying a man and the body of a woman.—Reuter.

#### Not Confirmed.

Honolulu, Yesterday.

The report that Miss Doran had been found is not confirmed. Reuter's correspondent at Wailuku, Maui, who visited the spot which the machine was reported to have been sighted, discovered no trace of the machine or its occupants.

#### Rewards.

Honolulu, Yesterday.

Mr. Dole has offered a reward of \$10,000 for the discoverer of the occupants of either of the missing Trans-Pacific aeroplanes, and \$20,000 if they discovered the occupants of both.

San Francisco, Yesterday.

The "Examiner," which entered the "Golden Eagle" in the Dole Pacific flight, is offering \$10,000 each for the rescue of the crews of the "Golden Eagle" and the "Miss Doran."

Flint, Michigan, Yesterday.

Mr. Malloski, the backer of the plane "Miss Doran," has offered \$10,000 reward for the discovery of the occupants of the "Miss Doran" dead or alive. Just before Miss Doran, who is very popular, left for Honolulu, he expressed the hope that she would win the race, but added pensively: "If we don't, well life's just a game of chance anyway."

#### Anxiety In America.

New York, Yesterday.

The "Herald-Tribune's" cartoon of Uncle Sam in night attire in the small hours of the morning listening in to wireless and anxiously muttering "We ought to hear something of them by now" is an apt illustration of the public anxiety in the United States regarding the fate of the five missing fliers, now forty hours overdue.

Never before has the country realised so emphatically the need of small cruiser for practically every kind of small vessel available in the Central Pacific is intensively sweeping the ocean.

#### Miss Doran.

The papers give prominence to accounts of Mildred Doran's determination, and courage. She was only sixteen when her mother died. Mildred thereafter mothered her two small brothers and baby sister. Meanwhile she qualified at the Teachers' Training School. Then she turned to aviation, and interested wealthy Mr. William Malloski, who organised a passenger air service on the strength of her enthusiasm.

#### Honolulu Welcomes.

An earlier message from Honolulu stated that the authorities expect a crowd of at least 50,000 persons will attempt to reach Wheeler Field and wait for the winner of the Dole Prize.

All plans for receptions and entertainments follow the usual procedure in which Honolulu, through experience, is adept.

The Aloha Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, together with members of the local Dole Committee, are prominent citizens are co-operating in arrangements for welcoming the fliers.

James Dole, president of the Hawaiian Pineapple Association and donor of the prize, will be present at the field to welcome the first arrival. The first two planes to reach the field will be guests of the Royal Hawaiian Hotel. They will be the winners of the derby, to first to receive \$25,000 and the second, \$10,000.

All other successful fliers will be guests of James Dole at the same hotel.

Most of the discussions in the press and public gatherings revolve around the possibility of accidents and the probable number of successful flights. Interest in the flight has no means confined to Honolulu. It extends throughout the islands owing to the virtual certainty that some of the fliers will be forced down, or pass over points in other parts of the islands.

## WOOD STEALERS.

Govt. Bill To Protect Plantations.

### PROHIBITED AREAS.

Offence To Enter Forestry Without Permit.

Yesterday's "Gazette" contains the draft of a Bill which it is proposed to introduce into the Legislative Council at an early date with the object of enabling certain areas to be declared prohibited with a view to the protection of afforestation operations.

The "objects and reasons" explain that the afforestation operations of the Botanical and Forestry Department are greatly hampered by the practice of cutting and stealing the trees in the afforestation areas. Very young trees are sometimes also cut in the course of grass cutting. The areas in question are so widely spread that it is difficult to detect and catch offenders. One expedient adopted by them is to hide their cutting implements in a plantation, so that they are not found approaching the plantation or coming from it with any cutting implements. Further, if while engaged in cutting in a plantation, they see forest guards approaching, they hide their implements and, when questioned, say that they are merely passing through the plantation. The forest guards have to proceed on their patrol and the wood stealer can then recover his implements and continue his cutting.

This bill is an attempt to preserve the plantations from such depredations by making it an offence to enter any prohibited forestry area without lawful authority or excuse. It will be much easier to detect and prove presence in such an area than to prove actual cutting or stealing.

#### Marked Boundaries.

The area will be declared by the Governor in Council in each case to be a prohibited area, and the boundaries will be marked or indicated by means of fire barriers or otherwise. Warning notices in English and Chinese will be placed along the boundaries at intervals not greater than 440 yards.

It is obviously necessary to make the prohibition of entry into the prohibited area an absolute one applying to all persons, because it is clearly impossible to distinguish the class of persons who would be likely to cut and steal wood. This absolute prohibition, which thus seems to be necessary in any case, has the additional advantage of tending to prevent damage by fire or by tramping which might be caused through the carelessness of shooting and picnic parties.

As the prohibition will be absolute, regulations in the Schedule to the Wild Birds Ordinance, 1922, Ordinance No. 15 of 1922, are being amended so as to prohibit the shooting or taking of game in an area prohibited under the present Ordinance, or the entry into such an area in pursuit of game or for the purpose of taking nests or eggs. The regulations in question will be further amended so as to provide for the insertion on the form of game licence of a note drawing attention to the prohibition now proposed.

The Ordinance does not apply to the New Territories (other than New Kowloon), and the only area which it is at present proposed to declare a prohibited area is a certain portion of the hillside between Tai Tam Harbour on the west and Big Wave Bay and Shek O on the east.

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Navy on "Strike" Ships.

This morning, about 10 a.m. Dockyard tugs conveyed naval officers and ratings to China Navigation ships in Kowloon Bay which owing to the strike of officers and men were not sufficiently manned for the typhoon.

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Police Precautions.

New York, Yesterday.

Following the refusal of the appeal, the Commissioner of Police has ordered the resumption of the police guard on public buildings and underground railway stations.

## HELD BY GALE.

Services Interrupted By Typhoon's Approach.

### TRAMS AND FERRIES STOP.

Gap Rock May Catch Full Force This Afternoon.

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Hong Kong at noon to-day was held in a gale of typhoon force. Trams on the lower and upper levels and the ferries had stopped, and there were prospects of the "blow" increasing during the afternoon, when the typhoon is expected to pass near to Gap Rock. Shortly before 11 a.m. the No. 7 signal was hoisted, indicating that a wind of typhoon force could be expected at any moment.

As on the last occasion when a typhoon approached the Colony, Naval officers and ratings this morning manned the "strike" ships of the China Navigation Company lying at Kowloon Bay. During the morning no untoward incidents as a result of the "blow" were reported.

## NO. 7. SIGNAL HOISTED.

With a full day's warning of the probable approach of a typhoon, added to the sultriness of the atmosphere yesterday evening, no one was surprised when the No. 2 signal—(Gale expected from the North-N.W. to N.E.)—was hoisted shortly before midnight. It was thought that the typhoon might reach here by the morning and in Kowloon speculation reigned as to whether it would be possible to cross the harbour for the morning's duty.

The night passed fairly peacefully except for fairly heavy rain and a moderate blow, and there was general surprise in the morning to find that the No. 6 signal (gale expected to increase) had been hoisted. This signal was hoisted at 7 o'clock and shortly afterwards could not be observed. Whether the signal fell or was actually lowered seems to be in doubt, but it was observed to be up again later.

The Last Ferry.

The ferry service was unaffected up till ten o'clock and the crossing earlier on was a fairly smooth one, the wind being considerably short of typhoon force. Ferry awnings were stripped.

The wind freshened considerably later and on receipt of information from the Observatory it was eventually decided to stop the ferries, the last to cross being one from Hong Kong to Kowloon which arrived the other side about 10.30 a.m.

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#### U.S. PRESIDENT.

### COOLIDGE WILL RUN IF NAMED.

Rapid City, S.D., Aug. 11.

Senator Simeon D. Fess of Ohio, administration stalwart, declared to-day after visiting the Summer White House that President Coolidge held the emphatic intention not to run for re-election in 1928.

Senator Fess doubted that Coolidge would decline, however, if the nomination was forced upon him.

The senator also declared that unless another naval armament effects an agreement for limitation of naval construction, the next congress will insist on an American navy comparable to that of Great Britain.

Sufficient funds for the first year's work on all naval craft authorized, including six cruisers asked for by Congress last winter, will be included in the estimates for next year, General Lord, head of the budget bureau, said to-day upon his arrival here to see President Coolidge.

An impersonal survey conducted by officials of the department of labour has disclosed that labour leaders are virtually unanimous in regretting President Coolidge's announcement that he did not choose to run for re-election, Secretary of Labour Davis declared to-day.—Associated Press.

#### HEALTH SERVICE.

### PHILIPPINES BUREAU WANTS P.3,616,652.

The appropriation requested by the Philippine Health Service for next year is much smaller than the amount allotted this year. The bureau was given P.3,803,412 for 1927 and it needs for 1928 the sum of P.3,616,652 only.

Of the requested sum, P.27,000 is to be spent in travelling expenses of the director and other officers of the service. For materials and uniforms for the Cullon Leprosy Colony, P.1,421,570 would be allotted. A new ambulance and refrigeration machine would be acquired for the San Lazaro Hospital. Both are to cost P.15,000.

For malaria control work, the bureau requests a similar amount as that allotted this year, P.100,000.

#### MEMORIAL DEDICATED.

To Four United States Presidents.

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#### PACIFIC RADIO.

### COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY PLANS TO COMPETE.

New York, Aug. 10.

The office of Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Commercial Cable Company, declines to confirm reports that the company will inaugurate a new trans-Pacific radio circuit but it is learned in reliable quarters that \$5,000,000 is available for this undertaking.

It was stated that any plans the Commercial Cable Company has of this nature, were connected in no way with the recent announcement by the Western Union Cable Company that a new cable would be laid across the Pacific.

The Commercial's project, however, coming closely on the heels of the Western Union's venture, is generally interpreted as a result of the latter.

The new radio system will use the "beam" system which makes possible a large degree of control over the direction of a broadcast. President Mackay's plan is said to contemplate completing the radio system before the Western Union can finish the laying of its cable.

The radio would furnish service to China, the Philippines, Honolulu and San Francisco, over the same general circuit now served by the Radio Corporation of America.—United Press.

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MOJI MARU ... Wednesday, 31st August.

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## SHIPPING SECTION.

## SHIP MYSTERY.

SEVEN EUROPEANS DROWNED.

The British cargo boat "Shahzade" (2,246 tons, owned by the Asiatic Steam Navigation Co.) sank 40 miles off the Sandheads (mouth of the Hooghly). Twenty-one members of the crew—7 Europeans and 14 Indians—were drowned. Fifty-one survivors arrived at Calcutta aboard the British steamer "Clintonia," of the Stag line.

Survivors state that when the "Shahzade" was 50 miles off the Sandheads she began to sink. All the crew were immediately called on deck, but the ship sank so rapidly that there was no time to launch the life boats.

The strong vortex created by the sinking vessel snapped the chains fastening the lifeboats and five boats came to the surface. Some of the crew swam to them and cruised around for an hour picking up others, and then rowed to the Sandheads lightship.

Sides Ripped Out?

The Marine Court has opened its enquiry into the sinking of the steamer "Shahzade." Mr. H. R. Panckridge, Standing Counsel, Bengal, at the outset made a statement, in the course of which he said that on the night previous to the disaster the Master of the vessel came on the bridge thrice in order to ascertain the ship's position. The Chief Officer was on watch from four o'clock in the morning. The last time that the Captain came on the bridge was at five minutes past three o'clock. On receiving the information he went to the bridge and found that the vessel had a heavy list to starboard. Under the Master's direction, the Chief Officer went to the engine-room. The Second Engineer, who was on watch, appeared to be dazed. The list became worse and worse and the ship capsized and sank bows foremost.

The cause of the disaster was obscure. Government's technical advisers offered no theory as to the cause.

"No Theory To Offer." Mr. Panckridge added: "We have no theory to offer. The Chief Officer was on watch from four o'clock in the morning, and it is for the Court to consider whether he sent for the Captain after matters had gone too far, and the Court will have to consider whether there were any grounds to conclude that he had been remiss in his duties, although the disaster might not have anything to do with his remissness, if any."

Captain A. J. Cavello, Master of the "Shahzade," mainly corroborated Mr. Panckridge's statement regarding the sinking of the vessel.

He said that before the pilot left the vessel, the "Shahzade" had a slight list to starboard, which had not increased till 1.38 o'clock in the morning.

Later, while asleep, he thought that he heard a tremor. He went straight to the bridge and noticed that water was pouring on board on the starboard side.

Answering the Court, witness said: "I have only one theory: it is that the tremor that awoke me was caused by the vessel striking something which ripped her sides out. The fact that she went down so suddenly is in favour of the theory."

## GLADSTONE DOCK.

DETAILS OF A GREAT SCHEME.

On July 19, His Majesty the King, accompanied by Her Majesty the Queen, visited Liverpool to open the Gladstone Docks of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, and in so doing not only set a seal on the completion of a great engineering and commercial enterprise, but showed once again his recognition of the importance of proper provision being made to maintain the mercantile trade of the country. We say once again, because it is almost exactly fourteen years since their Majesties visited Liverpool to open the graving dock, which forms an essential part of the Gladstone Docks scheme.

The Gladstone Docks, as now completed, has involved the expenditure of about £3,000,000, £3,000,000 of which was authorised by the Act of 1906 and the remainder by later legislation.

The scheme embraces works extending northward on the Seaford shore from the Hornby Dock, for approximately 2,200 ft., and seawards into the River Mersey for 2,200 ft. The works include an entrance lock from the river, with a length of 1,070 ft. and a width of 130 ft. The sills of this lock are 30 ft. below Old Dock sill, or 20 ft. below bay datum. This arrangement provides 21 ft. 4 in. on the sills at low water on ordinary spring tides, and 28 ft. 7 in. on neap tides. At half-tide level there is 35 ft. of water over the sills, at high water ordinary neap tides 41 ft. 7 in., and at high water ordinary spring tides 45 ft. 10 in. These conditions will allow the largest ship now in existence to enter or leave the dock on every single tide in the year, while more ordinary ships of, say, 28 ft. draught, will be able to go into and out of the dock at any time of the day, except for a few hours on each side of low water at spring tides.

Inside this lock there is a half-tide dock, known as the Gladstone Dock, with an area of 22 acres, and opening out of this are two branch docks, Nos. 1 and 2, each 400 ft. wide, and 1,420 ft. and 1,255 ft. long respectively. The quays of these branch docks are furnished with three-story sheds, and are fully equipped with electric cranes, while very extensive railway connections and sidings are provided. The grounds, covered by the sheds amounts to 18½ acres, and the total gross floor area available for storage is 55 acres. This area includes that of the flat roofs, which are designed to take light loads.

Dividing Gladstone Branch Dock No. 1 from the Hornby Dock is a space with an average width of about 400 ft., while connection for these branch docks and the older system is made by the Gladstone-Hornby lock, which is 645 ft. long and 90 ft. wide. The total water area of the system is 55½ acres and there is an aggregate quay length of 2,750 miles. Provision is made in the branch dock for berthing four ships of 1,270 ft., 1,300 ft., 1,325 ft. and 1,510 ft. long respectively, without projecting into the canting area. In addition the graving dock can take ships up to 1,050 ft. long and 120 ft. beam, the depth over the sill being 46 ft. at high water of ordinary spring tides, or 35 ft. at the lowest neap tides. "Engineering."

## P. I. SHIPPING BILL.

WOULD CLIP OFFICIAL WINGS.

Another important shipping measure is in the course of drafting, the author being Representative Juan Alcasaren, of Cebu, who will submit it during one of these days, at a session of the house. The proposed measure would clip the powers of ship inspectors in the employ of the bureau of customs.

At the present time," announced Representative Alcasaren, "the inspection of vessels are placed in an absolute manner in the hands of 'experts' of the bureau of customs, known as 'hulls and boilers inspectors.' The ship owners are at the mercy of these officials. They have no means of contradicting these inspectors. They may appeal to the insular customs collector, or his deputies. But such officials, usually, are not experts in the matter, so they invariably support the view of their subordinates, the inspectors. 'With state of affairs, I believe, has produced abuses, and has, perhaps, given rise to combinations between inspectors and shipowners, which are not conducive to the attainment of satisfactory coastwise shipping service.

"My measure provides a 'check and balance' by virtue of which shipowners may contradict the reports of the customs hulls and boilers inspectors, by the appointment of their own hulls and boilers inspectors who must undertake the inspection of vessels in conjunction with the customs inspectors."

## STEAMER'S ROUGH PASSAGE.

"Worst Crossing For Many Years."

Calcutta, July 30. The "Aronda," which left Rangoon for Calcutta on Tuesday morning, arrived in port late last evening, 30 hours behind the scheduled time, and missed the English mail.

The vessel encountered mountainous seas, torrential rain and hurricane squalls during the journey, which has been described by passengers as the worst crossing they have experienced for many years.

Fortunately, however, no damage or injury was reported.

The "Chindwara," which was due to arrive on Thursday afternoon, is still held up at the mouth of the river.

## DOLLAR LINE MOVEMENTS.

The s.s. "President McKinley" of the American Mail Line will arrive from Victoria and Seattle via Yokohama, Kobe and Shanghai on Sunday afternoon, August 21. This steamer will sail for Manila at 6 p.m. on Monday, August 22.

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EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Nov. 1	Nov. 4	Nov. 13	
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MENADO MARU ... Tuesday, 13th Sept., 10 a.m.

TAIWA MARU ... Tuesday, 13th Sept., 10 a.m.

JAPAN PORTS

BINGO MARU ... Wednesday, 24th August.

GANGES MARU ... Saturday, 27th August.

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North River at Tingyuen	25.7	0	1.07	fall
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NYANZA	7,023	12th Oct.	Strait, Colombo & Bombay.
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KASHMIR	5,334	29th Oct.	Marseilles & London
MACEONIA	11,120	12th Nov.	Marseilles & London
MONGOLIA	10,950	20th Nov.	Marseilles & London
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ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MALWA	10,980	10th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
NYANZA	7,023	22nd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHMIR	5,334	30th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ARAFURA	6,000	4th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
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S.S. "CITY OF BOMBAY"	Via Suez Canal	9th Oct.
S.S. "THESEUS"	Via Suez Canal	23rd Oct.
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## FIRE ON STEAMER.

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Sydney, July 21:  
A fire has occurred on the British India steamer "Gerada," which is bound from Calcutta to Australian ports, with a valuable cargo of jute goods.

The Sydney Marine Underwriters' Association received a cable message to-day stating that the fire had occurred among the cargo in the No. 4 hold, and that the vessel was expected to arrive at Singapore on Saturday.

The "Gerada" left Calcutta on July 16 for Fremantle, Adelaide, Melbourne, and Sydney. Her cargo for Sydney includes 6,700 bales of woolpacks, and it is not known where this portion of the vessel's cargo has been damaged.

### "STAR OF INDIA."

PURCHASED BY JAMSAHEB OF NAWANAGAR.

The steam yacht "Valfreya," formerly the home of the American millionaire recluse, Mr. Bayard Brown, who lived on board while the ship was anchored off Brightlingsea, has been renamed the "Star of India," and is undergoing extensive alterations for her new owner, the Jamsaheb of Nawanagar.

She will shortly proceed to the Maharaja's estate on the Gulf of Cutch.

One of her first duties on arrival in India will be to carry the Viceroy across the Gulf on his official visit to Nawanagar State.

### "THE ANICURA."

Order For Sale.

Melbourne, July 22.  
The position of the ship "Anicura," at present, berthed in the River Yarra, again came before Mr. Justice Lowe in the Practice Court yesterday. On the hearing of an application that the Court should, in its Admiralty jurisdiction, authorise the sale of the ship, affidavits disclosed that it was feared that the owners intended to abandon the vessel for sale in Melbourne.

When the matter was before Mr. Justice Lowe on Monday he declined to authorise the sale. At that time, it was shown that the "Anicura" was a wooden motor-sailing vessel, and was registered in the Republic of Panama. The owners of the ship were an incorporated body of persons in San Francisco, carrying on business under the style of the Pacific Navigation Line. The vessel had come to Melbourne with a cargo of timber. Cable messages sent to the managing owner had resulted in replies which led the crew to believe it was the intention of the owners to abandon the vessel for sale here.

Mr. Justice Lowe said that it seemed desirable that the ship should be sold, and he made an order accordingly.

## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Yokohama on August 12, and is due at Vancouver tomorrow.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Celebes Maru" is expected to arrive here to-day from Japan and is due to sail for Bombay to-morrow via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Montevideo Maru" is expected to arrive from Japan on August 22 and will sail on August 23 at noon for South African and South American Ports via Saigon, Singapore and Colombo.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Bingo Maru" will arrive here on August 22 from Calcutta and will sail for Japan Ports on August 23.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" is due here at 8 a.m. on August 22, and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf. She will sail for Vancouver via ports at noon on August 24.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on August 11, and is due here on August 25.

The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected here:-

"Athos II," August 30.

"D'Artagnan," September 13.

The M.V. "Esquiline (D. & Co.) from Brindisi, is expected in Hong Kong on September 15.

The s.s. "Bolton Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from New York on July 19, and is due to arrive in Hong Kong on September 24.

### CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of Cargo, ex s.s. "Benalder" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after August 23.

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## CAPTAIN R. DOLLAR.

### TAKES VIEW OF SHIPPING FUTURE.

The Shipping Board must decide whether it is going to stay in or get out of the shipping business. We can't go on this way, and I am sure the Board knows it and will soon make known its plans in a way that will make all American shipping men breathe easier." Such were Captain Robert Dollar's characteristically plain spoken words on his visit to New York where he has been consulting with shipping men following his attendance at the Fourteenth National Foreign Trade Convention at Detroit.

"We all value the services of the Shipping Board highly," Captain Dollar admitted, "and I doubt but that most of us would do the same in their place. But the time for a new arrangement of things is at hand. American privately owned and operated shipping lines must expand if they are to live; they must take the whole world for their field of operation. They feel the risk of an actual rivalry with the Shipping Board fleet, and they apprehend that the fleet, if enlarged, would make the hazard still greater."

"We knew what the differentials are between us and foreign ships, because many of us, like myself, have operated foreign ships. And we know the margin is going to take all our effort to overcome. But if American shippers will give us an even break and if the Government will make it plain that it is going to enter upon a policy where, stage by stage, it will progressively withdraw and cease to compete with us, we can give the American people the finest merchant marine in the world."

Captain Dollar was very hopeful of the future for pulverized coal as the ship's fuel that may save shipping men in case of an oil shortage.

"I welcome the activity of the Government," he said, "in experimenting with the production and space costs of this new fuel. We have to look far in the future on the sea, and pulverized coal is going to be an important clue to the fuel question."

"Business is fine in the west and full cargoes from the Pacific coast eastbound are the order of the day," the captain admitted. "But, at large, Americans may now be assured that the worst of our troubles are over in China. Even during the revolution we have been gaining trade steadily and we are gaining it now. The only cessation came when the Bolsheviks got control of the South China cities. Now they have been thrown out of every city but Hankow and we are only up against the same civil war question we have been up against for the last twelve years. I think the trade future of China is as great as the future of American opportunity was never better."

Captain Dollar, one of the founders of the National Foreign Trade Council, attended and spoke at its fourteenth convention in Detroit, and told 1,425 delegates that the indispensable condition of growth for the American merchant marine was for the American business community to get behind it.

While in New York Captain Dollar presided at the annual luncheon given in his honor at India House, at which Mr. F. A. S. Franklin, president of the International Mercantile Marine; Sir Thomas Lipton; Mr. Willis H. Booth, vice-president, Guaranty Trust Company; Mr. Ira A. Campbell, general counsel of the American Steamship Owners' Association, and many other men prominent in the shipping world were present.

Captain Robert Dollar, the "Grand Old Man" of American shipping, is still at 83 as alert and active as a man half his age. In an interview with "The Nautical Gazette" last October, Captain Dollar "sensed" a general increase in shipping property, not very great but world wide and appreciable. Since then he has made another of his periodical trips around the world and is gratified to report his expectations justified.

With the price of fuel oil fluctuating but tending toward higher prices, Captain Dollar inclines more than ever to favour steam turbines and reciprocating engines rather than Diesel engines, although he thinks his weather eye lifted in this direction and not ignoring the developments in the newer methods of propulsion. The Shipping Board's experiments both with pulverized coal and in the Dieselization of vessels he considered would materially help the private operator in his choice of motive for any new ship constructions.

Captain Dollar who has been visiting Boston and New York is shortly leaving again for the Pacific Coast and will no doubt embark again on circumnavigating the globe. Constant personal supervision of all branches of the line's activities is the secret of his success in maintaining the good will of shippers throughout the world. For the head of a great line, and the only passenger line carrying the American flag round the world, to be on personal terms of friendship and close contact with business men in all parts of the world is a remarkable achievement; but it is just this that has built up the Dollar Line's success.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-Signed on or before the 6th September, 1927 or they will not be recognized.

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Sept. 17	San Francisco	Apollonia	Oct. 15	Crg-Shampton
Sept. 21	Seattle	Leviathan	Oct. 22	Crg-Shampton
Sept. 27	San Francisco	Olympic	Oct. 29	Crg-Shampton
Oct. 5	Seattle	Berengaria	Nov. 9	Crg-Shampton
Oct. 11	San Francisco	Leviathan	Nov. 12	Crg-Shampton
Oct. 19	Seattle	Apollonia	Nov. 16	Crg-Shampton
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### ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Miss Iris Thornhill wishes to convey her thanks to the many friends who have so kindly expressed their sympathy with her in her bereavement.

Hong Kong, Saturday, August 20, 1927.

### A SATURDAY CAUSERIE.

There seems to be a glamour about a murder trial which is somewhat akin to its reaction on certain temperaments to that provided in the more sensational kind of cinema films. This is none the less true of murder trials in England as it is of trials of prisoners on capital charges in Hong Kong, whilst in America the Press and public combine more than anywhere else to make them public spectacles whereon all who desire may gaze and gratify to satiety their craving for excitement. The Castle Peak murder trial which concluded at the Sessions this week offered in regard to that aspect of it which concerned the attitude of certain of the spectators a striking commentary on the perverted nature of those who glory in the misfortunes of a fellow human being. It is possible to attend a murder trial out of curiosity's sake as to the conduct of such cases and yet to feel compassion for one who is standing upon trial for his life or death. It is certainly expected of one in any event to conduct oneself in keeping with the dignity of the Court.

The spectators in the Castle Peak trial who approached the dock ostensibly to witness a practical demonstration by counsel but if their behaviour is any criterion, the more clearly to show the prisoner the delight with which they regarded his discomfiture, fully

deserved the severe rebuke administered by His Lordship. It is a pity that this type of spectator cannot be prevented from entering a court of justice at all. The public has, of course, the right to witness such or any other trials unless interests of state would be prejudiced by public disclosures, but the right is forfeited by conduct such as that of which the parties in question were guilty. The strain imposed on a prisoner during successive hearings of the case is severe enough to test the most hardened nature without adding to his distress the knowledge patent in the faces around him that others are gloating in his misery. It is cases such as these which lend force to the arguments of those who are pressing for a change in the system by which a man who has yet to be found guilty or not guilty is forced to sit or stand in a crowded court, behind bars, the cynosure of all eyes. Such a practice imposes a trial of endurance which in the case of an innocent man would hardly tend to induce a frame of mind in which he is likely to do himself justice when the time comes for him to give his evidence.

The present trouble on the frontiers of India is the outcome of bad feeling between the Mohamedan and Hindu communities which was brought to a head by the prosecution of the editor of an Indian journal for an alleged scurrilous satire on the prophet Mahomet. It is reassuring to read the statement which was made in the Legislative Assembly at Simla yesterday indicating that a serious crisis had been averted. Although these communal outbreaks are serious obstacles to permanent peace in India and provide the most striking example of the discord which would follow any withdrawal of British protection, perhaps the most serious problem with which India is faced at the present day is the Bolshevik menace on the North-West frontier, particularly now that Communist activities in China seem doomed to failure. To anyone who has studied the history of Anglo-Russian relations from the early days of the 19th century it is plain that the one spot where Russia can challenge the British Empire and make her challenge effective is on the North-West frontier of India. Whether the Government is Tsarist Imperialism or Imperialist Communism the clash is perceived to be indicated there.

For the last seven years the

Russians have been pouring arms and ammunition into Afghanistan. Taken in conjunction with the declared policy of the Soviet rulers and with their action in China, the reason for this is obvious. Russia does not go to war herself until circumstances make it too easy. She would dearly love to see Afghanistan pull the chestnuts out of the fire for herself. And she pays Afghanistan an annual subsidy of \$100,000. The only difficulty that she finds, happily, is the unswerving devotion of the King of Afghanistan to his country's interests, which he knows would be seriously jeopardised by the disturbance of dearly won peace. He also knows that India and, behind her, Great Britain, is a friend of his Government and does not want a yard of his territory. To see a strong, independent Afghanistan is India's earnest desire, but the danger threatened in the infiltration of Russian subjects into Northern Afghanistan and the Soviet propaganda in those districts cannot be ignored. As more and more arms, munitions and aeroplanes, with Russian personnel, are poured into Afghanistan, Russian influence may so predominate that even the King himself may find it extremely difficult to withstand its baleful effects.

### EASTERN PORTS.

HEALTH STATEMENT FOR LAST WEEK.

CHOLERA PREVALENT.

The health bulletin for Eastern ports for last week, issued by the Principal Civil Medical Officer, gives the following cases, the numbers in parenthesis denoting deaths:

Plague: Colombo 9, Bassel (5) Bombay (3). Cholera: Basra 125 (108), Madras (72), Assam Province 27 (22), Mohammedan (Persia) 16 (12), Calcutta (18), Bombay (11), Manila 8 (7), Canton 7 (4), Amoy 5, Shanghai (2), Macao (2), Tientsin 2 (2), Haiphong 1 (1), Bangkok 1, Colombo (1), Negapatam (2). Small-pox: Bandjermasin 25, Basra 1 (1), Nagasaki 1 (1), Hong Kong 1 (1), Menado (Celebes) 1, Sourabaya 1, Singapore 1 (1), Colombo 6 (2), Madras 4, Calcutta 6 (5), Bombay 5 (3).

### "CHEER O" CONCERT.

LADY CLEMENTI VISITS SERVICES SHOW.

An enjoyable concert was held at the "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A. yesterday evening and was well attended by Servicemen. Mrs. C. P. F. James was responsible for the arrangements but was unfortunately unable to participate owing to indisposition. Luckily Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs and Miss Judah were able to attend and filled her place as accompanists. Lady Clementi was an interested member of the audience throughout most of the concert. Whilst the programme was in progress Mrs. Costen paid a visit to the "Cheer O" and was accorded a hearty welcome, the servicemen singing "For she's a jolly good fellow" and giving three cheers and a "tiger." Mrs. A. T. Hamilton was in charge of the canteen.

### OUR CABARET.

"HERE AND THERE" AT THE STAR.

There was a poor attendance, due no doubt to the unsettled weather, at the Star Theatre last night when Our Cabaret presented "Here and There." The show was up to their usual standard, Mr. Mason having great success in his comic turns. The Our Cabaret will make their last appearance at the Star to-night and will give a special programme.

### SMALLER NAVIES.

OPTIMISM OF JAPANESE DELEGATE.

London, Aug. 11. Admiral Saito, chief of the Japanese delegation to the recent Geneva Naval Conference, expressed himself today as being optimistic as to an ultimate disarmament agreement between the United States, Great Britain and Japan, and believes that another conference will be convened before 1931.—Associated Press.

### HARBIN DALBANK.

TWO CHINESE CONTROLLERS INSTALLED.

Harbin, Aug. 7. The Chinese authorities have taken the first step towards getting their share of the monies collected daily by the railway by placing two Chinese controllers in the Dalbank. These two gentlemen are now watching all payments made and will not allow any money to go out of the country, excepting of course for trade purposes. Some of the depositors fearing that more severe measures may be taken, have removed their deposits to foreign banks. The local office invited the C.E.R. Commercial Department to take over the liquidation of accounts at Shanghai but this the latter refused to do. It is not the business of a railway office to undertake the liquidation of a private bank.

Like a Battlefield.

A gentleman who has just arrived in Harbin likens the town to a battlefield as the streets in all directions are torn up to lay the tramway lines and as the work is now in the main streets, people have to drive by circuitous routes to get to their destination. The new bridge across the railway line is causing much trouble as it has been constructed at an angle which is most inconvenient for motor traffic, the curve being far too sharp.

Mulla Coal Mines.

These coal mines are in the forefront again as all the railway chiefs paid a visit there last week and afterwards there was a great banquet to discuss the question of a sale of coal to the railway and the receipt of a large sum of money in advance. The coal is certainly the best in the whole district but there seems to be great difficulty in getting it out fast enough for the demand. It is rumoured that the company want a sum of one million gold roubles to help to develop the mines. The only place where this sum can be got is from the Chinese Eastern Railway. Nothing like a banquet to get money from the railway management, seems to be the idea.

Something Like a Banquet.

Yesterday the governor of Taltalkar Province, General Wu, gave a great banquet at the Hotel Modern, over 180 guests being invited. The entertainment commenced at 1 a.m. with a performance by Chinese artists on the hotel cinema stage, fruit and tea served at the same time. About 3 p.m. the whole of the halls of this great hotel were closed to the public and preparations commenced for the evening banquet which was to begin at 7 p.m. In two of the halls large tables were spread with all kinds of Russian hors d'oeuvres, while the dining table was placed in the cinema house, formed in the shape of a double horseshoe. During the banquet Russian dancers and singers added to the enjoyment. From the appearance of the Modern yesterday one would never suppose that it was a European hotel as there were only Chinese to be seen.

Opium Dens.

A splendid comic opera might be written on the position of opium dens on the Sungari river at present. In Harbin which is in the Kirin Province every opium den has been closed and every person who is caught with opium on his person is severely fined and the drug taken from him. But the other side of the river, opposite Harbin, which is in Heilongjiang Province, allows opium to be smoked and dealt in, thus all that Harbin residents now have to do, is to cross the river in a small boat and smoke opium to their heart's content if they so desire. The curious thing is that both these Provinces are part of the Three Eastern Provinces and are therefore under one chief government, that of Mukden. Why then, should one side of the Sungari smoke opium and the other be severely punished for doing so. It certainly is a comical situation and it would be interesting to hear what the Peking government have to say on the matter.

### AIR RAIDS.

EIGHT YEARS TO COMPLETE DEFENSIVE SYSTEM.

London, July 29. Of the nine daylight air raids on London launched yesterday two were abandoned owing to bad weather, two reached the capital, four were intercepted and the other was drawn. The senior Royal Air Force officer announces that the idea of the exercises was to test the defensive system, which, however, is at present only at quarter strength and will take eight years to complete.—"Times of Ceylon."

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### P'RAPs—P'RAPs NOT!

The typhoon did not succeed in taking our breath away.

Fond Uncle—So, my dear little nephew, you haven't forgotten your old uncle on his birthday. You have brought me this nice smoking cap for a present. Thanks, little nephew, here is a sixpence for you.

Nevvie—Boo-oo-oooh. It cost me half-a-crown!

Doctor—You are looking far better this morning than I expected.

Patient—I expect that is because I have followed the directions on the medicine bottle.

"What are they?"

"Keep the bottle tightly corked."

"Did you behave in Church?" asked an interested relative when Tommy returned from the service.

"Course I did," replied the boy. "I heard the lady at the back of us say she never saw a child behave so."

"So this baby is a girl?" beamed the rector, as he walked round the baby show.

The proud father assented.

"And this other one—is it of the contrary sex?"

His wife's eye was on him, but with no thought of the wrath to come he replied blithely, "Yes, she's a girl, too."

Complaining customer at coffee stall—I haven't come to any ham in this sandwich yet.

Proprietor—Try another bite. Customer (after huge mouthful)—I haven't come to any ham yet.

Proprietor—Garn! You must have gone right past it.

The lady lion-tamer was a wonderful person. She beckoned to the fiercest lion, and he meekly came to her and took a piece of sugar out of her mouth. "Anyone could do that," said a man derisively from the audience.

"Do you date to say you could?" retorted the lady indignantly.

"Certainly—just as well as the lion."

Waiter—What'll you have, sir?

Diner—I should like some ham and eggs and some kind words.

Waiter (returning with the order)—There you are, sir.

Diner—Here are the ham and eggs, but you've forgotten something.

Waiter—What's that?

Diner—The kind words.

Waiter (bending low and whispered)—Don't eat the eggs!

A man and his wife had enjoyed their previous holiday on a farm so well that they wished to repeat it.

The only thing that made them doubtful was that they had been somewhat annoyed by the close proximity of the pigsty to the house.

Finally the man wrote to the farmer and explained the objectionable feature.

He received the following reply:—

"We haven't had any pigs on the place since you were here last summer. Be sure to come."

You can't imagine what I've suffered from dyspepsia in the last ten years," she said.

"Is that possible," exclaimed her friend. "You look so healthy, I didn't suppose you—"

"Oh, it isn't I, it's my husband who has it," she hastened to explain.

The teacher, wishing to arouse the interest of her Sunday school class, asked them to write the names of their favourite hymns. All the pupils bent their heads over pencil and paper for a few minutes, and then handed in their slips—all except one.

"Come Mary," said the teacher, "bring me your paper."

Mary, with downcast eyes and flaming cheeks, handed the teacher a slip of paper bearing the words "Willie Smith."

A motorist who was approaching a village saw, to his surprise, an elderly man running down the road at a remarkable speed.

"What are you running for?" he asked.

"There's a wild-beast show down there, and a lion's broken loose," was the breathless reply.

"Which way did he go?"

"Well, you don't suppose I'm chasing him, do you?"



## INDIAN NEWS.

## LEAVE GRANTED TO SIR MONTAGUE BUTLER.

London, Aug. 2. The Secretary of State and the India Council have sanctioned the granting to Sir Montagu Butler of four months' leave of absence, for urgent private reasons, from August 10.

His Majesty the King has approved of the appointment of Mr. John Thomas Marten to act as Governor of the Central Provinces and Berar during Sir Montagu Butler's absence.

## Mr. V. S. S. Sastri's Term.

Maritzburg, Aug. 2. Mr. V. S. S. Sastri, interviewed, said that he was not in a position to decide the headquarters in the Union for the Agent-General of India, as he would probably not be in the Union longer than a year, whereas his successor's term of office would be five years.

## Alleged Libel.

Rangoon, Aug. 2. Colonel H. Gidney, M.L.A., who is being sued by Mr. C. H. Campagnac, M.L.C., on behalf of the Anglo-Indian and Domiciled European Federation, Burma, for the recovery of Rs. 3,000 and damages for alleged libel, has been directed by Mr. Justice Otter to file a written statement within a fortnight.

The suit is in connection with a letter published in the "Rangoon Times."

An application made by the defendant asking the Court to direct plaintiffs to furnish certain particulars as to the alleged libel was dismissed.

## Eastern Telegraph Co.'s Project.

Bombay, Aug. 5. A part of the scheme of the Eastern Telegraph Company to institute a generator system, making possible the transmission of messages from London to Bombay without being handled en route, and thus increasing the quickness of the service, their aerial line which runs across the desert from Alexandria to Suez, and over which the generator system cannot be efficiently worked, will be substituted by an underground cable.

Cables over 200 miles in length will be laid between Port Said, Ismailia and Suez.

The contract has been placed with the head office in London of W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Company.

## Mr. Gandhi.

Bombay, July 30. Mr. Gandhi has decided to extend his tour to Ceylon, which he will probably visit some time in October next.

## Ceylon's New Governor.

Cape Town, July 29. The retiring Governor of Northern Rhodesia and Governor-Designate of Ceylon, Sir Herbert Stanley, accompanied by Lady Stanley, sailed from Beira on board the "Mantola" on July 28.

His Excellency was given a most enthusiastic farewell at Livingstonia, prior to leaving for Beira, as a tribute to his Governorship of Northern Rhodesia. Sir Herbert issued a message to his friends throughout South Africa thanking them for their kindness to him during the past 17 years.

## Status of Indian States.

Bombay, July 29. Colonel Haskar and Mr. L. F. Rushbrook-Williams, who have arrived here, interviewed by Reuter, declared that they were well satisfied with their general reception in England, and believed that they had dissipated many misapprehensions regarding the fundamental relationship between British India and the Indian States.

They hoped that at no distant date an era of mutual confidence would dawn, which would expel any fancied clash between the two parts of India, and render superfluous any preparations for joining issue between those who should be natural allies in the task of upholding the honour and advancing the progress of India as a whole.

Counsel's written opinion would be submitted to the Maharaja of Patiala as Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes, after which it would be considered by the Chamber's Standing Committee.

## Working of Reforms.

London, July 29. Lieut. Commander J. M. Kenworthy entertained at luncheon at the House of Commons a number of members of all parties, including Lord Olivier, Earl Winterton and Mr. G. Lansbury, at which the Indian Reforms were discussed.

The Maharaja Jamsahib of Nawanagar declared that the Indian Rulers were in no way out of sympathy with Indian aspirations or further constitutional reform.

## JAPAN'S POLICY.

## NO CHANGE IN MANCHURIAN PLAN.

Tokyo, July 24. "Japan's motto is the economic development of Manchuria and Mongolia," said Premier Tanaka upon his return to Tokyo from Nagano on Friday afternoon. "Such was the result of the recent China Conference, which did not change our previously announced policy. Politically considered, however, it will be necessary for the Imperial Government to protect and safeguard Japan's special rights and interests on the Continent, which have been acquired legitimately."

The Premier cautiously avoided the topic of the South Manchuria Railway Company, on which public opinion is still sharply divided on account of Mr. Jotaro Yamamoto's appointment to its presidency. "As a matter of business," he conceded, "success largely will depend upon the men who handle the various kinds of business in China. I admit that the economic development of Manchuria and Mongolia will depend entirely upon the management of the South Manchuria Railway Company. For this purpose the appointment of its president requires most careful consideration. However, this is not the only factor in the economic development of that portion of China. We are investigating some measures to unify the various organizations in Japan's sphere of influence."

## Dinner Party.

Chinese affairs in general, and Manchurian and Mongolian in particular, constituted the principal topic of discussion at the dinner party given by the Premier at the Foreign Minister's official residence in Kaumiasaki on Friday night in honour of Minister Kenkichi Yoshizawa. Governor-General Count Hideo Kodama, of the Kwantung Leased Territory, President Yamamoto and Vice-President Matsuo of the S.M.R.

The Premier, in accordance with the agreement reached by the recent China Policy Conference, outlined the following guiding policies after an exchange of views on the subjects.

1. Japan's China policy has hitherto been governed by her preference to deal with the Central Chinese Government, but in view of the vanishing of such hopes under the existing condition of China greater importance will in future be attached to local Chinese Governments as well, than in the past years.

2. Greater stress will be laid on the importance of maintaining Japan's "special position" in Manchuria and Mongolia.

3. Greater harmony and co-operation will be introduced in the quadruple administration of Manchuria affairs, namely, military, civil, S.M.R., and the foreign office authorities.

4. Greater efforts than before will be made for the country's economic expansion in South China as well in North China and Manchuria.

Manchurian Policies. In conformity with the above guiding principles indicated, the conference came to an agreement on the following concrete policies:

1. An effort will be made in a different direction from the line of policies so far followed for the acquisition of commercial lease rights.

2. Administrative affairs in Manchuria and Mongolia will be transferred as far as possible to the Kwantung Administration Office so as to ensure unification of the administration.

3. Resolute exception will be taken to the Tatung railway and the like lines planned to run parallel with the South Manchuria Railway, so as to ensure every positive protection for the Japanese rights and interests in Manchuria and Mongolia.

4. Manchuria-Korea traffic facilities will be improved by extending the Kirin-Holnyong railway.

5. Efforts will be made for promotion of Russo-Japanese understanding in Manchuria and Mongolia so as to avoid useless competition between the Chinese Eastern Railway and the South Manchuria Railway in the Three Eastern.

6. Monetary organs will be improved in the Provinces in order to facilitate economic expansion of the country in the regions.—"Japan Times."

tion of the Statutory Commission should be such as would inspire confidence in the Indian public mind, since complete self-government postulated the ability of the nation to defend itself.

Sir Chimanlal pressed the urgent necessity of implementing the unanimous recommendations of Indian Sandhurst Committee.

## Mysore's Contribution.

Mysore, July 30.

## INDIAN FLOODS.

## RELIEF WORK IN BARODA.

Bombay, Aug. 2. The Associated Press learns from Baroda that, although the loss of life was not so heavy as feared, there has been a considerable loss of property, cattle and crops in several districts of the State. Numerous houses collapsed in the city of Baroda and villages.

Relief camps have been opened, and Government are advancing loans for houses and seeds.

Speaking at a public meeting at Baroda to organize relief, the Maharaja Kumar Dhairysil Rao, son of the Maharaja of Baroda, announced that the Maharaja (Gaekwar) had cabled, instructing that all possible help should be given to the afflicted people. The Maharani also had cabled her grief at hearing of the disaster.

The Maharaja Kumar stressed the necessity for co-operation between Government and the public to overcome the present disaster.

He mentioned, as an example of self-sacrifice and devotion, the case of a prisoner who had saved the lives of others at considerable risk to his own, and added that the prisoner's sentence had been remitted.

Official reports from Gujarat do not anticipate heavy loss of life, but acute distress prevails in many parts, and there has been a considerable loss of cattle and damage to property.

Both steamers mentioned on July 29 are safe.

[An early message stated:—Bombay, July 29. No news has yet been received of the two Indian coastal steamers which left Bombay on July 23 and 24 respectively, but they may have taken refuge in coastal ports, with which communication is at present impossible.]

Rs. 200,000 Subscribed.

Bombay, Aug. 3. A meeting for the relief of Gujarat flood distress, presided over by the Governor, was most encouraging.

Over Rs. 200,000 were subscribed on the spot.

A gesture of the international fellowship was contained in a message received from the Japanese community, undertaking to contribute to the relief fund.

## Viceroy's Itinerary Altered.

Simla, Aug. 3. The Viceroy has cancelled his visits to Wairat, Puri and Ranchi owing to the breaches in the Bengal-Nagpur railway, due to the recent heavy floods.

His Excellency has telegraphed the Governor of Behar expressing disappointment at his inability to visit the flood-affected areas and the hope that strenuous efforts would be continued for the amelioration of the distress by affording permanent relief to the poor.

## AERIAL GUESTS.

## NOVEL GARDEN PARTY AT FAKENHAM.

London, July 24. The guests at a novel garden party held at Fakenham, Norfolk, literally "dropped in."

The hostess, the Marchioness of Townshend, invited her guests to come in their own aeroplanes. A large party responded, including the Master of Semilly, Lady Abe Bailey, Lord Ossulston, and Mr. Bert Hinckler.

Mr. Hinckler spent the afternoon at the light aeroplane races and displays.



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## ALFONSO'S SON.

## REPORTS OF SERIOUS ILLNESS.

Madrid, July 28. Even under the best dictatorship there are problems that the strongest hand cannot solve, especially under a monarchical regime. This is what is happening to Spain at present.

Leaving aside the political questions although closely connected with the succession to the throne, the fact—although not admitted officially yet—of the serious illness of King Alfonso's eldest son, Prince of Asturias, is now the dominating factor in Spanish affairs.

It is almost a tragedy that is threatening the royal family with the direct heir suffering from acute haemophilia and in such condition that in the middle of June the doctors decided he must leave Madrid and remain for a while in a higher climate, where the air of the mountains would do him good.

The King, Queen and the rest of the family would have liked to go along with the twenty-year-old lad who was taken to one of the royal estates, at La Granja ten miles from Segovia and about 80 miles from Madrid. But first, their official position obliged them to be in the capital most of the time, also the necessity of concealing the Prince's illness forced the King who is deeply affected, to leave Madrid in secret frequently—dashing out in automobile to La Granja, to spend a few hours at night, by his son's side. Only when it was impossible to do otherwise, the royal Palace at Madrid published a note saying the King had made a trip to La Granja.

There, for a young Prince, the stay must be morally dreadful. La Granja is a huge estate which includes a Palace and parks, the latter resembling somewhat the Versailles, in France. Unfortunately, the Palace has been partly destroyed by fire, and not repaired since, there the right wing alone can be inhabited, and this is where the crown prince had to put up. This would be bad enough but for financial reasons the park is far from being well taken care of, and La Granja being a village of not more than some 3,000 inhabitants, the whole place has a desolate aspect which strikes any new comer.

The Prince's condition grew worse in May when he found it more and more difficult to walk; he appeared no longer in official ceremonies, until he weakened to such extent that there was no other alternative except transporting him to La Granja.—United Press.

## ROSE SHOW.

## FINE EXHIBITS IN SPITE OF BAD SEASON.

Cheltenham, July 6. The joint show of the Cheltenham Floral Fete and National Rose Society at Cheltenham attracted entries from all over England. A most gratifying feature was the development of the amateur classes, which showed an improvement of 80 per cent. on previous numbers. The total value of cups and prizes distributed was in the region of £1,000.

In spite of the wet season, described as the worst since 1914, there was a wonderful show of roses. Good judges expressed the opinion that gardeners are realising that the rose is an English flower that has not to be cultivated in the open under English climatic conditions. A harder race of flowers is thus being produced.

There were also excellent trade exhibits consisting of groups of carnations, delphiniums, hydrangeas, sweet peas, and herbaceous flowers.

For the third year in succession the cup for the best exhibit in the show, given by the Cheltenham Corporation, was won by James Cypher and Sons, of Cheltenham, who have now won the cup outright.

## CHOLERA IN PERSIA.

## VACCINE ORDERED BY AIR MAIL.

Teheran, Aug. 4. Precautionary measures are being taken by the Government against the spread of cholera in Persia. Doctors, with medical equipment, are being despatched to the various frontiers, and quarantine shortly will be established at Kasri Shirin, on the Perso-Iraq frontier. Travelling to Iraq is prohibited.

A large quantity of anti-cholera vaccine has been ordered from Paris by air mail.

The War Office has placed an aeroplane at the disposal of the Health Department to transport medical requisites.

## Shadows Before.

## COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

## Entertainments.

August 20—Queen's Theatre; "Down the Stretch."

August 20—World Theatre; "The Fourth Commandment."

August 20—Star Theatre, Kowloon; Our Cabaret in "Pot Pourri," 9.30 p.m. "The Sea Beast," 2.30 to 8.30 p.m.

Lammert's Auction. September 16—At Lammert Bros. Sales Room, valuable properties in the New Territories, 3 p.m.

Meetings. August 22—Social Service for Service men on the roof of St. Peter's Y.M. Club.

August 22—Meeting of officers and N.C.O.'s of the Armoured Car Co., at Corps Headquarters, 5.45 p.m.

August 25—Twelfth annual meeting of the Associação Portuguesa de Socorres Mutuos, Club Lusitano, 5.30 p.m.

October 1—H.K. & W.G. & M.C.L.'s "Fun o' The Fair," Lee Gardens.

August 22—Meeting of Shareholders of M.Y. San Co., Ltd. (in liquidation), to confirm resolution passed at previous meeting, Queen's Road, Central, 2.30 p.m.

August 22—Meeting of Hong Kong Football Club (rugby section), in Union Bldg., Pedder St. (4th floor), 5.30 p.m.

August 26—Fortieth annual meeting of members of the H.K. Football Club, in the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (top floor), 5.30 p.m.

August 21—Social gathering in St. John's Cathedral Hall after Evensong.

## CROWNED BARD.

## HOLYHEAD EISTEDDFOF INCIDENT.

London, Aug. 4. Elfed, the Arch Druid, has issued a statement denying that Mr. Caradoc Pritchard wrote to him, as stated in the cable of August 3, or that Mr. Pritchard was requested to wear a robe for the crowning ceremony.

He adds that the Gorsedd will, at all costs, adhere to its rules, once they have been adopted. Like any other respectable body conferring degrees, the Gorsedd will confer them in its own way, and will not be swayed by any puerile tirade.—"Times of Ceylon."

[The cable mentioned stated:—London August 2.—A 22-year-old journalist Mr. Caradoc Pritchard, of Bhsda, was declared and crowned Bard at this year's Eisteddfof being held at Holyhead, for a collection of poems dealing with life in Snowdonia. Mr. Pritchard is the youngest competitor who has ever won the crown. The Editor and Chief Sub-Editor of the "Welsh" weekly on which he works won this honour in 1924 and 1925, respectively. Prior to being crowned, Mr. Pritchard sent a protest to Elfed, the Arch Druid, protesting, in unpoetical language, against the absurdity of the robe proposed to be used for this ceremony. He said that he had objection to members of the Gorsedd making silly asses of themselves, but he would rather be uncrowned than make himself and his brother bards a laughing-stock. It was high time that Welshmen realised that a bard of flesh and blood was like every other mortal. Mr. Pritchard's protest was successful.]

## BROADCASTING.

## CALCUTTA STATION TO BE OPENED.

Calcutta, Aug. 3. Arrangements have been completed for the inauguration of the Calcutta station of the Indian Broadcasting Company by the Governor of Bengal, at 6.30 p.m., on August 26.

The first item to be broadcast will be the National Anthem, played by the North Staffordshire Regiment Band as His Excellency enters the station.

The Government of India has decided to reimpose the Customs line between the maritime States in the Kathiawar Peninsula and British India, and the decision has caused satisfaction in Bombay, where the deflection of trade meant a serious loss of revenue.

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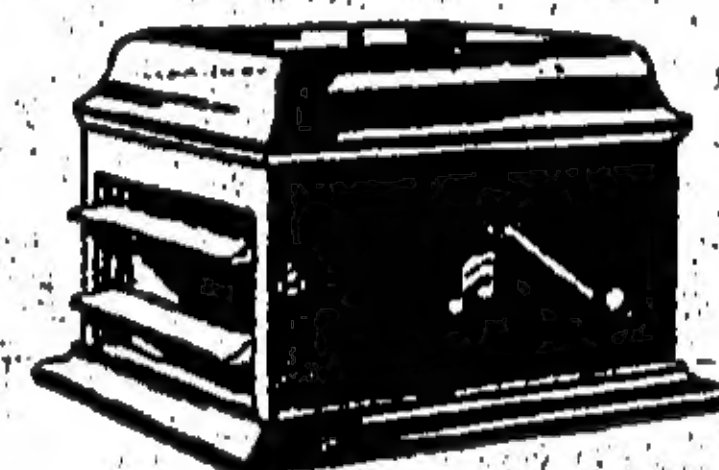
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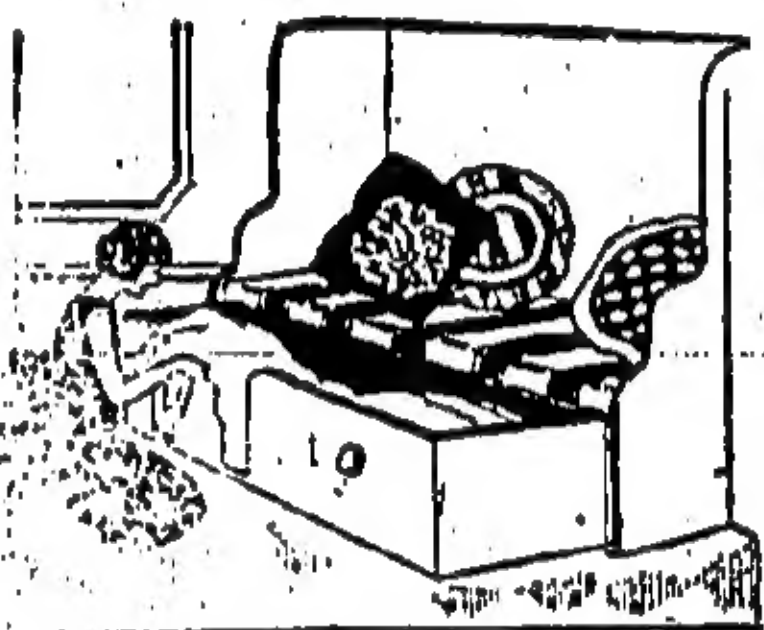
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The Shanghai Capitalists and Labourers Arbitration Committee held its inaugural meeting in the offices of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

The Shanghai British Automobile Association draws attention to complaints which are being received as to the excessive use of loud horns in town areas, particularly at night.

The "Straits Echo" is in a position authoritatively to announce that an entirely new General Hospital, to cost probably several millions of dollars, will be erected in the near future in Penang.

Since the abolition of the dog tax the number of many and uncurbed for pariahs has multiplied considerably, and unsuspecting people are never safe from attacks from rabid dogs, says the "Times of Ceylon."

Leave to file a specification of an invention for a new method of attachment of soles and heels to the uppers of boots and shoes made of leather and other skins without any stitching or sewing has been given to Mr. Tan Kah Kee of Singapore.

Among the through passengers on the Darvel, says the "B.N.E. Herald," was one of the most enormous pythons we have been privileged to see. It must have measured a good deal over 20 feet in length and its waist measurement, enhanced by a recent meal of Plandok or other meat, was also of no mean order. It was caught we understand, in Sandakan and sold for \$100 and will be put on exhibition in Singapore.

The London motor-cyclists set off from Central London on a journey round the world. They were Mr. S. T. Glanfield and Flight-Sergeant. Sparkes. The side-cars of their motor-cycles will be used as beds. The journey of about 15,000 miles will be via Germany, Austria, Yugoslavia, Constantinople, the Syrian Desert, Basra, Bombay, the Straits Settlements, and Australia, returning across the United States. They expect to complete the tour in 120 days.

The British Air Ministry has completed its secret tests regarding the "Flying Battleship," a huge flying-boat with three Rolls Royce engines of 2,400 horsepower. It will be christened "Valkyrie." It has a wooden hull of immense strength, specially treated to prevent the absorption of water. It is intended for a reconnaissance crew of five for whom hammocks have been provided, enabling them to be several days over the sea.

A Malay, seventy years of age, just returned from a pilgrimage to Mecca, collapsed on the Penang railway jetty and died a few minutes later.

Thirty-six Canadian airmen offer to compete for a prize of 25,000 offered by Mr. Charles Burns, of London, Ontario, for a non-stop flight from that city to London.

The Hong Kong "Gazette" notifies that the Treaty of Friendship, Commerce and Navigation with the United States of Mexico has been prolonged until December 31, 1927.

The Shing Fat Steamship Co., Ltd. will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the company dissolved at the expiration of three months from August 18.

Sub-Assistant Surgeon Jemadar Kirdar Nath and Sub-Assistant Surgeon Jemadar Niranjan Ladhani, both of the Indian Subordinate Medical Department, are authorised to sign medical certificates of death, according to yesterday's "Gazette."

To-night at 9.30 Mr. Charles Chamier's revue company of ten London artists will give its final performance in the Star Theatre. The programme to be presented is called "Pot Pourri," and represents the most popular numbers in the company's repertoire.

The residents of Malacca, especially planters, must be relieved that the drought is now over. During the spell of dry weather that they have just had, a kind of wintering was experienced on most estates, in some cases mild and in others severe, while the crop on almost every state showed a decrease.

The full military band, fives and drums, of the 1st/Norhamptonshire Regiment are to give the programme at the Kowloon Dock concert to-morrow afternoon when Service men will be allowed the use of the beach and the pleasure of listening to the open-air concert free of charge. The funds raised by these concerts are to be devoted to the cost of a proposed gala-day for Services at the beach later in the season. Following is the programme: March, The Vanished Army, Afford; Selection, Lady Be Good, Gershwin; Cornet Solo, I'll sing thee songs of Araby, Clay, (Soloist—L/C. A. Green); Selection, Rose Marie, Friml; Retreat by the Fives and Drum Band; Suite, Nell Gwyn, Ed. German Selection, Sonny, Kern; Cornet Duet, The Friendly Rivals, Godfrey, (Soloists—L/C. A. Green and Eda. F. Chapman); Selection, Tip-Toes, Gershwin, Conductor, Mr. W. Cresswell, L.A.M.

A large area of the interior of Western Queensland is to be patrolled by a doctor in an aeroplane for the aid of sick persons far from other medical help.

The M.M. s.s. "Andre Lebon" has been in the builders' hand for a year, undergoing a thorough modernisation. She has been converted from a coal into an oil burning steamer. She will be in Singapore again in October.

The Hospital Comforts Committee begs to acknowledge, with many thanks, receipt of parcels of literature from Mrs. Handyside and Mrs. A. Morris; also packs of playing-cards from Mrs. Bridger, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., and Messrs. Gande, Price & Co.

The principal films at the cinemas to-day are "Down the Stretch" at the Queen's Theatre; "The Fourth Commandment" at the World Theatre; and "The Sea Beast," the screen version of Herman Melville's famous sea story "Moby Dick," at the Star Theatre.

"The Shanghai People's Association to Uphold Customs Tariff Autonomy" held its second meeting in the office of the Customs Chinese Staff Association on Min Kuo Road, Nantao at which it was resolved that a series of mass meetings would be held on the afternoon of August 20 in Nantao and Chapel as well as one "in the centre of the International Settlement," which probably means in the premises occupied by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

A Nationalist soldier who tried to enter the Shanghai International Settlement with 250 rounds of rifle ammunition concealed in two billycans inside a blanket, and was arrested by a Chinese constable on patrol at the North Thibet Road Bridge, was remanded for trial before the Higher Court at the Provisional Court. He pleaded that he had been given the bundle by a fellow soldier when he came on leave from Nanking and did not know that the bullets were inside.

At Lukawel Cemetery a number of officers and men of the Shanghai Municipal Police participated in a simple ceremony consisting of the laying of a tombstone at the head of the grave of the late Russian constable, Klukin, who died from bullet wounds received while endeavouring to apprehend a gang of armed desperadoes on Carter Road in June last. The tombstone which bore a replica of a cross of the Russian Orthodox Church, contained the following inscription: "To the warrior who fell abroad defending the name and honour of Russian."

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. Thomas Hardy laid a commemorative stone at the new Dorchester Grammar School Building on July 21.

Mr. J. A. Harvey, until lately Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary, is going to the Selangor Secretariat as Assistant Secretary to Resident.

A message from Brussels states that M. Eugene Yaeye, the septuagenarian violinist, married, at Knocke-sur-Mer, Jeannette, aged twenty, his brilliant pupil, the daughter of Dr. Dincin of Brooklyn.

The High Commissioner has awarded the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal to Lieut. S. R. Jones of the Selangor Malayan Volunteer Infantry and the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration to Mr. W. B. Hawkes of the Malay States Volunteer Regiment.

Viscount Kikujiro Ishii will retire from diplomatic service upon the closing of the Geneva Conference. He will be succeeded by Dr. Mineichiro Adachi to represent Japan on the Council of the League of Nations of which he is a permanent member. Dr. Adachi is the Japanese Ambassador to Belgium.

Sir Aaron Banks, managing director of John Banks and Sons Pty., Ltd., of Victoria, arrived in Malaya from Australia. He has been president of the Melbourne Hospital since 1918 and is a past president of the Melbourne Metropolitan Hospital Association and chairman of the Walter and Eliza Hall Research Institute.

It is understood that Major Sir Archibald Boyd Carpenter heads the official delegation which the British manufacturers' Section of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders Ltd. have sent to Australasia and South Africa to explore factors of importance in securing for the British motor industry a greater place in the markets of the Empire. The mission is due to reach Singapore at an early date. Sir Archibald is a son of the late Bishop of Ripon and is the Unionist representative of Coventry in Parliament. He was Parliamentary and Financial Secretary to the Admiralty from July 1923 to January 1924 and was Financial Secretary to the Treasury after being Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour from November 1923 to March 1924.

Mr. H. L. Mackenzie, A.S.O., has been appointed to the Armament Depot, Hong Kong.

Mr. J. S. W. Arthur, Malayan Civil Service, has been appointed District Judge and First Magistrate, Penang.

Letters episcopal have been issued dated August 7 appointing the Ven Archdeacon F. G. Swindell as commissary for the Bishop of Singapore, during the absence of the latter from the diocese.

Mr. Pat Zilwa, J.P., of Kuala Lumpur, who has practically recovered from his injuries in the motor car accident in which Mrs. Zilwa was fatally injured, has arrived in Singapore en route to Colombo on holiday.

Among the guests of Sir Trevor and Lady Dawson at their Hertfordshire residence, Edgeware House, Elstree, on July 2, were Prince Chula of Siam, the Japanese Ambassador and Baroness Matsui, General Sir George and Lady Macdonough, and Admiral Sir Arthur and Lady Leveson, Admiral the Hon. Edmund Fremantle, Admiral Sir Frederick and Lady Tudor, and Lieutenant-General Sir Travers and Lady Clarke.

Arrangements have been made for a visit in October this year of Dr. E. Stanley Jones, a well-known lecturer and author of "Christ of the India Road." Dr. Jones is a very powerful speaker and in recent years has travelled and lectured in Europe, India, Burma, Java, United States, Egypt, and Turkey. He visited Malaya in 1920 and was very warmly received by a large cosmopolitan audience in Penang, Ipoh, Kuala Lumpur and Singapore.

The Japanese Minister to China, Mr. Yoshizawa, was the guest of honour at an affair at the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai, at which were present about 20 prominent Chinese. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, who delivered an address and expressed a hope for the continuation of friendly relations between China and Japan. Mr. Yoshizawa replied, praising the hospitality of the Chinese and stating that efforts should be made by both sides to bring about the best of relations between the two countries.

Mr. A. P. Cameron having resigned, Mr. T. W. Stubbs takes his place as a member of the Board of Licensing Justices for Singapore.

Messrs. F. H. Grumitt and A. R. Thornton are appointed Municipal Commissioners for Penang in the places of Messrs. J. D. Kemp and L. E. Slowe, resigned.

At the Muar Club, the Indo-Ceylonese community of Muar entertained Messrs. M. V. Pillai and K. S. Pillai, barristers-at-law, to a dinner to bid farewell to the former on the eve of his departure to Europe on a holiday and to welcome the latter, who is taking over charge of Mr. M. V. Pillai's practice. Mr. H. H. Norris, barrister-at-law, presided and a long toast list was submitted after which an entertainment was provided by T. S. Muttusamy Pillai and Co., of Tinnevely, India, the party dispersing at about 2.30 a.m.

The Edinburgh Town Council, by 30 votes to 22, adopted a proposal to confer the Freedom of the City on Sir Harry Lauder, who was born in the City. There was bitter opposition to the proposal, chiefly from the Labour councillors, one of whom said that Sir Harry Lauder "presented the English-speaking world with a type of Scotsman not found in Heaven, above the earth, or beneath the waters under the earth—a type who, if he came in their midst, would be sent to an asylum." Another described Sir Harry Lauder as "a Tory propagandist who denounced trade unions."

The second annual conference of the Malayan Teachers' Association was opened by Mr. A. J. Sturrock, the District Officer, Kinta, at the Town Hall, Ipoh. There was a record attendance of teachers from all parts of Malaya, including Singapore and members of the general public as well as the large Town Hall was full to the doors. Mr. P. E. Navaradnam, President of the Association, was in the chair. Mr. Sturrock declared the Conference open with a speech "touching on some aspects of education," after which Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, the poet-philosopher, delivered the inaugural address. Dr. Tagore spoke for about 45 minutes on the subject of education with special reference to his own institution at Shantiniketan. At the close of Dr. Tagore's speech, Mr. Navaradnam delivered his Presidential Address.

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## SPORTS

## BETTING STORIES.

## "BOOKIES" OPERATING AT STAMFORD BRIDGE.

## SEVERE RULES.

"Betting strictly prohibited." And very strictly so at athletic meetings. But every habitue of the old-time Stamford Bridge, even those who never had a bet in their lives, will know what is meant by "the bookies' stand."

Until it was pulled down to extend the long straight course to a full 300 yards it stood, back to the railway, a few yards past the winning post.

It was literally a stand—there was no vestige of a seat—and the only embellishments were printed notices announcing that betting was taboo.

Consequently it was here that half a dozen gentlemen regularly took their stand, on the lower-most tier, ready and willing to lay a slight shade of odds, very slight ones as a rule, against anyone finding the winner. The gambling was very mild.

The clients were mostly top-hatted city gentlemen of an athletic turn, and the usual stake was half-a-crown. The attempt to invest any larger amount invariably froze the market. One of the odds-layers was an old-time champion cyclist.

The Pantaloons-Stakes. Another, invariably addressed as "George," was rather a Beau Brummell of a bookmaker. On the sunny side of Bond Street he would have passed any afternoon for one of the "upper ten."

In all weathers he could be found at his usual place on the bookies' stand, always faultlessly attired in silk hat, well-cut frock coat, the latest in striped trousers, and a gardenia in his button-hole. Business was conducted in an undertone. Failure to observe that unwritten rule meant prompt ejection. But "George" was particularly suave.

At one very big meeting, (writes Fred W. Parker), I was strolling past the stand to see that all was well just as the competitors filed out for the veterans' race. At least half of the runners were programmed as septuagenarians, and they certainly looked it.

Critically surveying the aged athletes, "George" remarked in his courtliest tones: "Gentlemen, I am now prepared to do a little business on the Pantaloons Stakes!"

An aftermath of the Lillie Bridge riot caused me a lot of trouble and a certain amount of anxiety. For a long time after that event the police authorities absolutely refused to supply a police force for even the smallest athletic meeting unless at least one inspector, two sergeants, and forty constables were engaged.

This was an instance of the locking of the stable door. The various clubs holding sports at Stamford Bridge naturally declined to incur the great expense. Up to that time four or five constables had been considered quite sufficient in most cases.

The suggestion that I should advise the local officer from my knowledge of the class of meeting and the likely attendance was negative. All or none, was the reply.

After a long "confab" the club committee found a solution of the problem by leaving it to me to "do the best I could without the police." Delightfully simple, was it not?

The knowledge that police protection was withdrawn offered a lure to undesirable that was irresistible.

However, difficulties are to be overcome, and I solved them by engaging a few pensioned policemen and securing a racecourse "special" or two on big occasions to see that known crooks were turned back at the gates.

Open betting had to be stopped. I told "George" to pass the word along that the first man to shout the odds openly would go out quick.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## INDIAN STORES AND CRICKET.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.") Sir,—With the closing of the Indian silk stores on Sundays it is gratifying to see that they have already taken up cricket on the only day when the staffs are free. Although beaten by only four runs last Sunday in their first match the Indian merchants' team played very well considering the number of "colts" that turned out. It is to be hoped that such matches will be arranged every Sunday morning—weather permitting—and that the enthusiasm will be such that it will be counted an honour to be selected to play. As a game cricket has few if any equals and there is no reason why the staffs of the Indian silk stores should not in time be able to hold their own with any cricket team in the Colony.

Yours, etc.,  
LEKHRAJ A. MAHTANI.

Hong Kong, August 20.

## LOCAL BASEBALL.

Three Baseball league games are down for decision this weekend, as follows:—

## To-day.

2.30 p.m. Dragons v. Recrelo.

4.30 p.m. Japanese v. Hong Kong.

## To-morrow.

4 p.m. Tigers v. Filipinos.

The line up of the Filipino Club against the Tigers to-morrow, will be as follows:—

Zafra, c; Angeles, p; T. Leonard 1.b; Cruz, 2.b; Cureem, s.s; Tesson, 3.b; Rull, 1.f; Bautista, c.f; D. Leonard, r.f; Substitutes, Fernandez and Delgado.

## CRICKETERS OF 70 YEARS AND OVER.

A party of gallant old men in Bishop Wilton, near Pocklington, Yorkshire, recently issued a challenge to a cricket match to any team whose members' combined ages should total 850 years. Counting in a reserve and an umpire, the Bishop Wilton total is 995 years.

The challenge reached the hill-side village of Sheepbridge, near Huddersfield, where it was discovered that there were 15 men whose ages ranged from 83 to 70. The Rev. Canon Whorlow wrote to the Bishop Wilton secretary, who in reply stipulated that the first match should be at Bishop Wilton. He added, as a concession, the permission for Sheepbridge to substitute younger men, but the younger men must be at least 70.

A subscription has been opened to raise the cost of a conveyance to Bishop Wilton—about 50 miles away.

had paid out the last of his winning clients, and then said: "Yes, you can take him to the gates now."

If I did not know the nationality of the waiting special I could have guessed it when I heard him address his captive with, "Now, come along with me, my boy, and I'll show ye the intricate out!"

Many will remember Percy Calder, the old Polytechnic sprinter, who was very little below championship form. A big, raw-boned lad, rather ungainly in action on the path, but a bit useful with the boxing gloves.

## A "Welsher" Who Wasn't.

He had a little adventure at the old Kensal Rise running ground. Bredin was taking part in a three-quarter mile race, a distance beyond his tether, but Calder rashly backed him to the extent of a whole sovereign with a stranger. Bredin held a good lead in the last lap when the stranger essayed a bolt. A vain hope! In a dozen strides Percy overtook him, promptly brought him to the ground, and coolly took his seat on the prostrate body of the man with his money.

"Bredin winning!" shouted Percy to a friend perched on a cogn of vantage. "Still leading, but tiring fast; Wilkins will beat him," came the reply. "Thank heaven!" mumbled the wriggling victim. "Keep still!" said Calder, taking a firmer seat; then to his friend: "Tell me when the numbers go up."

A moment or two later and: "Yes, Wilkins first, Bredin second," came the signal. And only then did Calder lift his 18st from the recumbent "pencil," who shuffled painfully off declaring his intention of drinking Wilkins' jolly good health.

## POLO TEST IN U.S.

## BRITISH TEAM SUPERIOR THROUGHOUT.

## DESPITE HANDICAPS.

New York, July 30. After three postponements due to inclement weather, the British polo team have played the second Test match, winning by 8 goals to 2.

In spite of the far softer turf than they are accustomed to in India and the effects of a long rest, the Britons were superior throughout.

## Second Test.

The main body of the British polo team played their second test match at Westchester Country Club to-day, and will play the third on July 31.

Hitherto they have had little practice on the firm, fast turf under American conditions.

## "BIG" BASEBALL.

## THE STANDINGS.

National League.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	66	41	.617
Pittsburg	62	45	.579
St. Louis	61	46	.570
New York	61	50	.550
Cincinnati	49	58	.459
Brooklyn	48	62	.436
Boston	42	68	.383
Philadelphia	41	69	.368
American League.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	77	33	.700
Washington	65	44	.596
Detroit	55	48	.531
Philadelphia	60	50	.545
Chicago	51	58	.468
Cleveland	47	63	.427
St. Louis	40	67	.372
Boston	36	73	.330

## BRITISH POLO TEAM.

## SHORT OF PRACTICE IN AMERICA.

New York.—Williams, Rutlam, Gidness and Beresford formed a team which visited Connecticut and beat the Greenwich Club by 10 goals to 1.

If the favourable weather continues, the main body of the British polo team will play their second test match at Westchester Country Club.

Hitherto they have had little practice on the firm, fast turf under American conditions.

## "WARNED OFF."

## ACTION BY GREYHOUND RACING ASSOCIATION.

The Greyhound Racing Association have issued a notice warning off H. A. Wilson, a trainer on the Manchester track, which is owned by the G.R.A., Ltd.

Wilson was reported by the Manchester stewards in connection with the running of greyhounds there, and the stewards of the G.R.A., Ltd., meeting in London, have issued a warning of notice, which applies to all tracks controlled by them.

## AMATEUR GOLF.

## SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL.

London, July 30. In the final of the Scottish Amateur Golf Championship A. Jamieson, of Falkirk, who beat "Bobbie" Jones in last year's British Amateur Championship, beat the Rev. Mr. Rutherford, the Scottish University player, at the 22nd hole.

## LOCAL PING PONG.

## League Fixtures Announced.

The Hong Kong Ping Pong League announces the following fixtures for the remainder of August and September:—

Date.	Fixtures.	Where Played.
Aug. 29	St. Louis Club v. C. A. A.	S. C. A. A.
" 29	Club de Recrelo v. C. R. C.	C. C. Y. M. S.
" 29	W. Y. O. B. U. v. St. Louis Club	C. C. Y. M. S.
" 29	St. Peter's Club v. C. A. A.	C. C. Y. M. S.
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## 1927 EXPEDITIONS. IN SEARCH OF LOST CONTINENT.

A special correspondent writes to the "Times of Ceylon":—

In view of the enthusiasm shown by the public on the successes of Colonel Lindbergh and Mr. Clarence Chamberlin no one can even suspect that the public interest in the pioneer spirit is dead. And for this reason 1927 will hold much to interest them, for it is to be so crowded with dangerous expeditions than an equal, during times of peace, will be difficult to find in history. It is to be a true red-letter year in which some score or more expeditions have been, or will be, arranged for the exploration of various parts of the globe.

At the end of last month Commander Donald MacMillan, the famous Arctic explorer, set out, with five companions, in search of a lost continent, known to Greenland mythology as Akkilek, and believed to be situated "beyond the sea." Akkilek is the supposed site of an ancient civilisation unknown to modern man, except for the fantastic tales of Eskimo folk-lore, and MacMillan hopes to find remains of this lost race.

But the explorers do not intend to spend the fifteen months, for which the expedition is planned, on a wild goose chase. They also anticipate the finding and study of a tribe of people known as the Naskapi Indians; the making of a geological survey of parts of Baffin Land; and the discovery of fossilised remains of creatures that roamed the earth in the long ago, not to mention the collection of specimens of modern animal and plant life.

The lure of the world's icy regions has attracted other fearless adventurers in the cause of knowledge. Commander Richard Byrd is arranging an aeroplane expedition to the South Pole; while Dr. Nansen, the Norwegian veteran explorer, contemplates an aerial voyage over the North Pole with a German expedition. Dr. Nansen hopes to throw more light upon the "lost continent" of the northern regions, as well as the charting of possible air route in that part of the globe.

Captain G. H. Wilkins also anticipated extensive exploration in the little-known lands north of Alaska, but it was recently reported that he would abandon his work, at least, as far as this season was concerned. There will be two other ventures this year in these regions, and one is being supported by the Canadian Government for the surveying of the Canadian archipelago.

Search For Fawcett.

The announcement of yet another expedition of discovery may be expected shortly. Its objects will not be so much the accumulation of knowledge as the relief of three explorers who were swallowed up by the dense jungle of the Brazilian state of Mato Grosso, over two years ago. This tiny expedition was under the leadership of Colonel P. H. Fawcett, a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, and consisted of the Colonel, Jack Fawcett his son, and Mr. Ralph Rimell—as well as two South American peons who may, or may not, have deserted soon after the party entered the jungle. The Fawcett expedition set out to discover a deserted city, and other traces of a wonderful white civilisation that Colonel Fawcett believed to have flourished long before the rise of the earliest known form of Asian culture. Thus, if the expedition had been successful, the Colonel would have placed the origin of the human race many thousands of miles from Mesopotamia, the neighbourhood in which science now believes it to have been.

Unlike that of MacMillan, Colonel Fawcett's theory was based, not on legend, but on an old Portuguese document and the story of an Indian who professed to have visited the ruins of a city belonging to this ancient race of people. The man's story was so similar to that written in the document that, with the other evidence he had collected, Fawcett was certain that he was not going on a fool's errand.

Way of Peril.

It is little wonder that the Fawcett expedition is lost, if indeed it is lost, for its path held many perils. Strange tribes of Indians—proposed objects of study on the explorers—many of them cannibalistic in habits, and others supposed to have weird and fearful characteristics; ferocious animals; man-eating denizens of the river; and the even more obnoxious insect pests, all tend to bar the way of the expedition. The vegetation alone is a formidable factor to contend with.

Neither is Fawcett the only explorer who desires to wrest from Mesopotamia its long cherished distinction of being man's first home. One party has only recently returned from the Sahara desert, bringing with them the bones of a child that is believed, by the discoverer, to be about sixty thousand years old, and other evidence that tends to substantiate the theory that man originated in that part of the world.

Another, an American expedition, has been carrying out investigations in the Gobi desert, to the same purpose. It has as its leader Mr. Roy Chapman Andrews, the discoverer of the ten-million-year-old eggs of the dinosaur which were found in the course of a previous expedition to the Gobi desert. Indeed, Mr. Andrews has spent so much time in this region that we can assure ourselves that his conjecture is something more than supposition.

But this party will not be alone among this year's Asian explorers, for a young German, Dr. Emil Trilcher, is undertaking a two-year expedition to the lesser-known parts of that continent, including Chinese

Turkestan. He will be accompanied by two other Europeans, one of whom will serve as geologist and the other as photographer. Dr. Sven Hedin, the veteran explorer, is undertaking an expedition to Urumsai, the capital of Chinese Turkestan, by way of Mongolia and the Gobi desert. And, of course, Ur of the Chaldees is continually surrendering portions of its great wealth of knowledge to the pick of the archaeologist, as is, for that matter, the land of the Pharaohs.

Daring Women.

The wonderful Mayan civilisation of Central America is gradually being revealed by the efforts of such people as Mr. Mitchell-Hedges, Lady Richmond Brown and Dr. Gunn. Mrs. Diana Strickland contemplates a journey into the African jungle, with two other ladies, in search of rare, pigmy elephants, which they hope to capture alive.

Miss Ada Boyland is spending this year among the nomadic tribes of Persia; she announced her intention of living with these primitive peoples in their own way in order to study them to better advantage.

Other expeditions of 1927 include one of Danish scientists to Central Africa, and an English party, led by Professor Gardiner, of Cambridge University, for zoological research work in the Great Barrier Reef of Australia.

Central Africa also holds thrills and dangers, as was explained by Captain Rosteing, a French explorer who returned last year with the most blood-curdling and revolting tales of the wild tribes of cannibals that inhabit the dense jungles of that continent.

According to Captain Rosteing, a regular traffic in human flesh and, worse still, human beings fattened for the purpose of food is maintained in parts of Central Africa. The reason given is that other food is scarce and it is the moral duty of Europeans to put a stop to this vile trade by striking at the root of the evil—in other words, to see that these primitive peoples obtain adequate food without being compelled to devour their fellow beings.

Soon after his return to Europe last year Captain Rosteing left again for this terrible region, and brought back evidence in the shape of a film featuring these savages. Surely this intrepid Frenchman's utterance are worthy of world-wide support.

## HONG KONG HOTEL VISITORS.

August 19, 1927.

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## FASCISM.

### HOW IT TREATS MALCONTENTS.

The Press has been totally dragged (says a writer in "The Round Table" in an article on "Fascism After Five Years"). The result is that all Indian newspapers now say the same thing. Deadly monotony has taken the place of lively discussion.

All political parties except the Fascist have been abolished and any attempt to revive them is punished with imprisonment from three to five years. Literary, scientific and artistic clubs are under Fascist control. Malcontents are subject to three stages of treatment. The first is a "warning" not to do, say or write anything against Fascism. A person who receives it has to sign it.

The second is an "admonition." An admonished person is forbidden to leave his town or village, has to present himself to the police at regular intervals and to be indoors every evening at 8 o'clock. The keys of his house must be left with the police.

The third is called "confinement," that is to say, enforced residence in some prescribed locality—a colony, a barren island, or a hill village where the "confinement" person is put in the same building with common criminals, is let out every day at 7 a.m. and has to be back by 6 p.m.

A secret police has been organised under the control of the Fascist militia. It keeps up constant espionage upon all persons suspected of disaffection. Every citizen has to have an identity card bearing his photograph. If he is suspect, his finger prints must also be shown. Without this card no Italian can engage a room in an hotel when he is travelling.

The system is not new.

The latest victim of Fascist "exclusiveness" is Signor De Jaspere, formerly Secretary-General of the Italian Popular (Catholic) Party, and is leader in the Southern Tyrol, who was arrested some months ago on a charge of attempting to escape from the country. The arrest was made at Florence—in the centre of Italy, not near a frontier—and no evidence was produced at the trial to show that Signor De Jaspere was planning an escape. Nevertheless he has now been condemned by a Fascist Tribunal at Rome to four years' imprisonment, a heavy fine and the costs of the "trial."

The number of persons "warned," "admonished," and "confinement" are now 1,541, 959 and 698 respectively. The great majority of these are men of high character and public standing.

## THEIR SECOND SUMMER THE HARDEST.

Teething and hot weather make their second summer a trying time for little ones. Summer disorder of stomach and bowels and infantile cholera may be quickly controlled and suffering relieved by Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. Easy to take in a little sweetened water. Always relieves. For sale everywhere.

## MR. W. S. CAMPBELL.

### DEATH OF WELL KNOWN SHANGHAI LANDER.

It is with regret we record the death of one of the oldest residents of Shanghai, Mr. W. S. Campbell, who was well known in all circles of Shanghai society (says the "Shanghai Mercury" of Monday last).

Mr. Campbell, who was born at Leith, in September, 1867, came to Shanghai as early as March, 1889, when he entered the services of the China Navigation Co. as engineer in one of their ships. He continued in the employ of the company till 1907, when he went to Messrs. Dodwell and Co., in charge of the asbestos and engineering department. In 1911 he left Messrs. Dodwell and became associated with Messrs. Walter Dunn and Co., in which firm he was a partner at the time of his death.

He was one of the founders of the Engineers' Club.

## DISAPPOINTED!

### CANTONESE WHO WENT TO SIAM.

"Go to Siam, my son, it is the America of the East." Thus spoke the father of Jeng Jua as they toiled on their tiny farm outside of Canton. For Jeng Jua was tired of the humdrum life in the rice fields and sought lands to conquer in order to make his fortune.

"Go to Siam, my son," his father urged, "for there you will find the streets paved with gold."

And it came to pass that Jeng Jua, wide eyed with anticipation, came to Siam, in fact to Bangkok. He came with thousands everyone of whom were looking forward to staking off a claim in the gold-strewn streets of Bangkok.

But now Jeng Jua is a wiser man. The enthusiasm of his youth is gone and if you talk to him as the writer did through the bars of the Samyak police station, concerning his opinion of Bangkok and its possibilities for easy money he will say "Applesauce," a good American slang expression which means "the report was grossly exaggerated."

Jeng Jua is a rich man and became a guest of the city for neglecting to obey police regulations regarding unoccupied residences. Waxing thoughtful in the gloom of his dungeon Jeng Jua said:

"When the boat which brought me here tied up to the dock in the Menam I felt my fortune was made. The only thing to do was to go right out into the street and collect the gold. I had a big sailor's kit bag in which to store the money."

"But it seemed that I arrived too late," Jeng Jua continued with a smile, "for all the gold had been taken and in order to buy rice I took a job as a boatman. This brought me at best Tse. 5 per month."

After two years ferrying boats across the Menam I became a rich man. The first two weeks were terrific. I would come home at night too tired to eat. But I got used to it and averaged about Tse. 1.60 per day. Sometimes I would make as much as Tse. 2.50 a day and when that happened I would take a two-day's vacation. When my money was gone I would get another rich man."

If Jeng Jua tells his story of disillusionment to the judge he may get off, says the "Bangkok Daily Mail."

## "SWAT THE FLY."

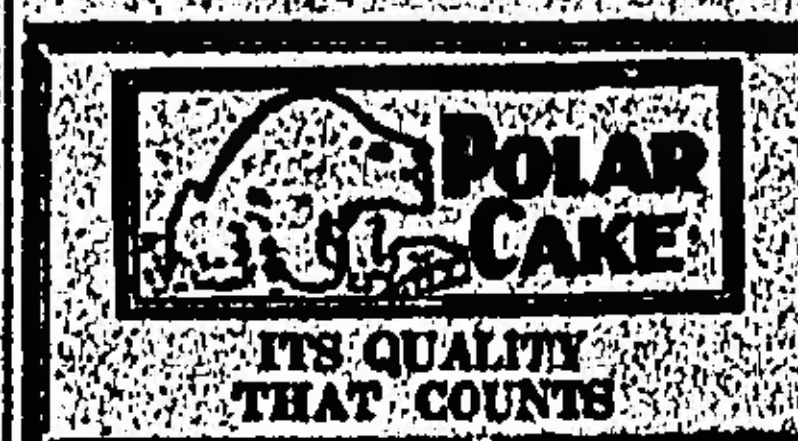
### CAMPAIGN TO BE STARTED IN MANILA.

A city-wide "swat the fly" campaign will be started shortly in Manila in order to check the spread of dysentery and similar diseases, Acting Governor-General Gilmore announced after a conference with health officials.

Fly swatters will be ordered by the thousands and sold at cost to the residents of the city. "I always keep a fly swatter in my office and at home and flies find me a dangerous person to pick at," Governor Gilmore told newspaper men. "The fly thinks he is smart, but he isn't if you know how to treat him."

"The dysentery situation in the city is not bad," he continued. "A careful survey shows that the number of cases this year is just about half of what they were last year. But the system of dumping in the city makes it possible for flies to increase, and the disease is thus transferred from person to person."

Acting Governor-General Gilmore said that the city water is examined at least four times a day, and so are the artesian wells. The Government is doing all in its power to rid the city of diseases spread by impure water, he said.



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All this Season's Models

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Ladies' Hose in Cashmere, Lisle Thread and Silk.

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With the Empress of Australia's new Commander comes the further distinction of being the chosen world-cruise ship of the Canadian Pacific fleet. This vessel has been transferred from the trans-Pacific service this season, and scheduled to enter the trans-Atlantic service June 28. During the winter months she will take the place of the Empress of Scotland on the Company's annual cruise to the four corners of the earth.

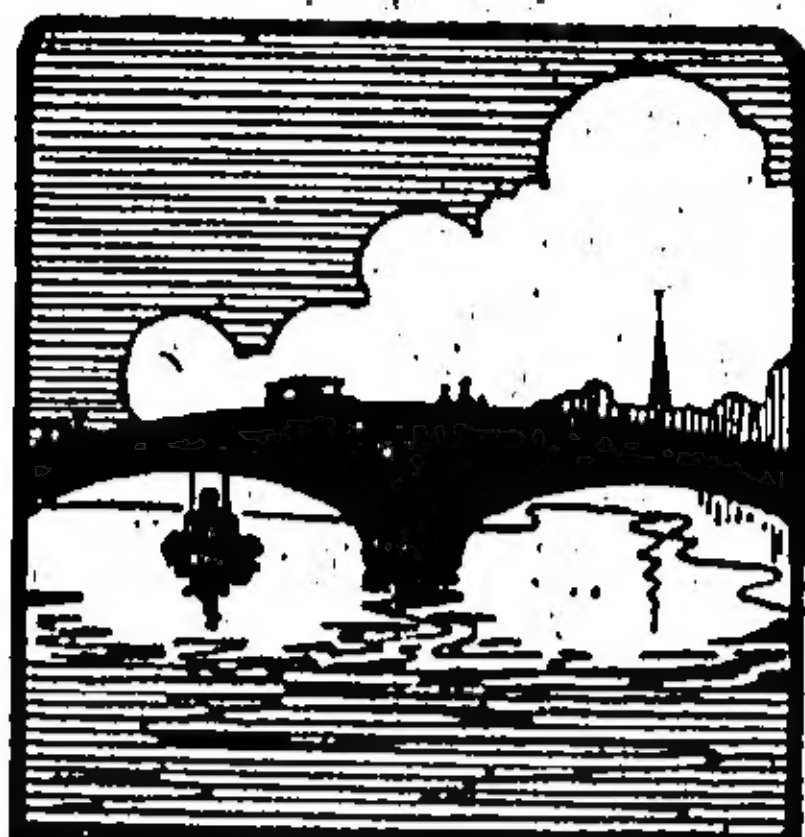
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## A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

The event in the China news this week is the resignation of Chiang Kai-shek, who has retired to Ningpo after bringing his staff from Nanking to Shanghai. At the present moment political affairs, so far as the Southern forces are concerned, are in a state of chaos. It appears that what is left of the Hankow regime is attempting to gather together the reins at Nanking and form a united Nationalist party. The full story of Chiang's eclipse appears in this week's "Overland Mail," together with descriptions of the fighting between his troops and the Northerners, in which the former were badly defeated.

Matters of interest in Hong Kong and China generally, including an interesting local murder trial and important statements regarding the customs surtaxes which the Nanking Government was to bring into effect on September 1, all appears in the "Overland."

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# MOTERING SECTION

## SIMPLE TROUBLES.

### SOME OBVIOUS REMEDIES.

Many of the stoppages which occur on the road are due to some quite small trouble which can be remedied in a few minutes by someone who "knows how." Indeed, so reliable is the modern car that serious trouble on the road is almost an unknown thing, and the experienced motorist may, what ever lies before him, be sure of running to schedule time even on a long journey (says the "Motor.")

It is the novice, however, who may waste hours and a great loss of time and temper on the roadside simply because he or she does not know exactly what is wrong. It is humiliating, to say the least of it, when, after the unhappy owner has laboured on his engine for two or three hours, an expert comes along and cures the trouble in a minute or two at the most.

We will deal first of all with causes of complete stoppage when the car is running along the road, for if the engine begins to run badly the chances are that the novice will prefer to carry on until a garage is reached, where someone with more knowledge than he possesses can deal with the problem.

Assuming the car to have been normal and that it suddenly comes to a standstill after a certain amount of sputtering in the carburettor or banging in the silencer the first trouble to be suspected should be with the fuel system. A good deal of unnecessary work could be saved if it is first made certain whether there is any petrol in the tank. If there is a reasonable amount of fuel available the next move should be to ascertain whether it is reaching the carburettor, which can be done by attempting to flood the instrument mentioned by pulling up the jet needle or depressing the flooding plunger provided.

Unless petrol either gushes through the vent hole in the float chamber lid, or flows rapidly from the carburettor, the petrol pipe should be detached, where it joins the carburettor, and it should be seen whether petrol flows freely with the tap turned on. If it does not it is more than likely that the trouble is due to some blockage in the pipe, which should then be removed at its other end and blown through, if necessary calling into service the tyre pump. If, however, petrol is reaching the carburettor in ample quantities, a choked jet may be suspected. If the car was running at a normal touring speed at the time the stoppage occurred, the chances are that the main jet was blocked.

The novice should obtain from the makers of his car or carburettor an instruction book which will tell him what is the method of removing the jets on the type fitted to his engine. On some, as on the Zenith, a small plug beneath the bottom of the instrument is unscrewed, after which, with the jet key provided, the jet can be removed. The other plug at the bottom allows of access to the compensating jet. On the Solex carburettor, the body of the carburettor comes away after slackening off the big nut on the top of the float chamber lid, when the jets can be removed with a small spanner.

The chances are that it will be found that one of the jets is blocked with some particle of foreign matter and when this is removed and the jets are replaced, the engine should start and continue to run. It should be remembered that the petrol, which has been turned off while the carburettor is being attended to, should be turned on again before trying to start the engine. An unlikely trouble, when it is known that the fuel is reaching the carburettor properly, is that one of the carburettor controls has fallen off, so that the throttle closes and cannot be opened; but in this case it is generally found that the engine will continue to run on the slow-running adjustment.

A possible cause of shortage may be an obstructed filter. If the petrol strainer is near the tank and happens to be choked, it is evident that sufficient petrol will not reach the carburettor, but where the strainer is in the base of the float chamber, fuel will naturally flow from the petrol pipe, but will not enter the instrument.

On cars on which the Autovac system of petrol feed is used, a possible trouble may be due to the failure of the device mentioned to lift the fuel from the tank at the rear and pass it on to the carburettor. If none of the fuel pipes are blocked, loose unions on the suction pipe from the induction pipe to the Autovac may be suspected.

Another reason for a complete stoppage may be magneto trouble. For example, the adjustment of the platinum points in the contact breaker might have slackened off, so that the gap is so wide that the points never meet. In this case screwing the points back and locking them firmly with the lock nut so that they are separated by a space of 1-84th of an inch when open will effect a cure.

Another possible but rare occurrence is a breakage with the contact spring in which case a cure can often be effected by taking a small piece of rubber, as, for instance, a small piece of inner tube and fitting it in such a position that its natural resiliency tends to force the platinum points together. But before examining the contact breaker, however, it will generally pay to make certain that the ignition switch has not accidentally been knocked into an "off" position, and to ascertain whether the switch wire from the terminal on the contact breaker cover is rubbing against the chassis or some metal part of the body. It should be remembered that the ignition is switched off when the wire from the contact breaker is "earthed," that is, connected to any part of the frame or chassis of the car.

It will generally be found that the quickest way of discovering whether the trouble is due to ignition is to unscrew one of the sparking plugs, resting it on the cylinder block or any convenient metal part of the engine, but keeping the terminal clean, and then pressing the starter button or turning the starting handle. If anything is wrong with the ignition system, it will not, of course be possible to get a spark at the plug points.

In the event of no spark being obtained from any of the high-tension wires, and the contact breaker being in order, it is possible that the carbon brush in the distributor may have broken or fallen out, for, no matter how pitted it may become or how dirty, the inside of the distributor may be, some sort of spark will generally be obtainable, even though it may be very intermittent and unreliable. One other carbon brush which may be at fault is that at the opposite end of the magneto, and the distributor, which presses upon the slip-ring.

If everything is, however, in apparently perfect order, and the magneto is absolutely "dead," there is the possibility that the armature may be burned out or the insulation in the condenser broken down. In either case, nothing can be done at the roadside, and the magneto will have to be removed and sent to the makers for attention. Examination of the contact breaker points will often suggest the likely cause of a complete magneto breakdown.

If the platinum is blackened, burnt armatures are the most likely cause, while, should they be covered with a white chalky coating, a faulty condenser may be suspected. Short of serious mechanical trouble, there is not likely to be any commonly experienced cause of a roadside stoppage other than carburettion and ignition. Intermittent misfiring may be due to dirty sparking plugs, which should be taken out and thoroughly cleaned, the points being subsequently corrected to 1-50th of an inch. Where, however, a block is found to have cracked the insulation or is thoroughly clogged up internally with oily carbon, it will need to be replaced.

Occasionally the use of an unsuitable plug in a high compression sports car engine may result in a breakdown of the insulation, so that the spark, instead of occurring between the points of the plug, is taking place far up inside, in which case a new plug is also needed. Misfiring may also be due to sparking through the perished rubber insulation of high tension wires. Whether this is so can generally be detected easily by running at a fair speed in the dark, when any sparks from the high tension wires to parts of the chassis can be seen. In a distributor, of

## GENERAL MOTORS.

### OPENING OF NEW JAVA FACTORY.

In the presence of a large gathering of interested people the new factory of General Motors, Java, was opened at Tanjong Pagar. Those who visited the new plant included the Governor-General of East, Middle and West Java; Admirals and Adjutants of the Services; Chiefs of the Departments of Agriculture and Finance; the American Consul; Directors of the Netherlands Discount Company and International Credit-en-Handela Vereeniging, Rotterdam; and the Chief Customs Officer.

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## RACING PAYS.

Although the motor-cycle Tourist Trophy Races, held on June 18, 19 and 17, in the Isle of Man, are generally considered to be speed tests pure and simple, it must not be forgotten that the lessons learnt from them have a very direct bearing on the design of the modern touring machine. As a contributor to "Motor Cycling" points out, the T.T. Races have given us the highly efficient motorcycle as we know it to-day, and it will give us, year by year in the future, even better machines.

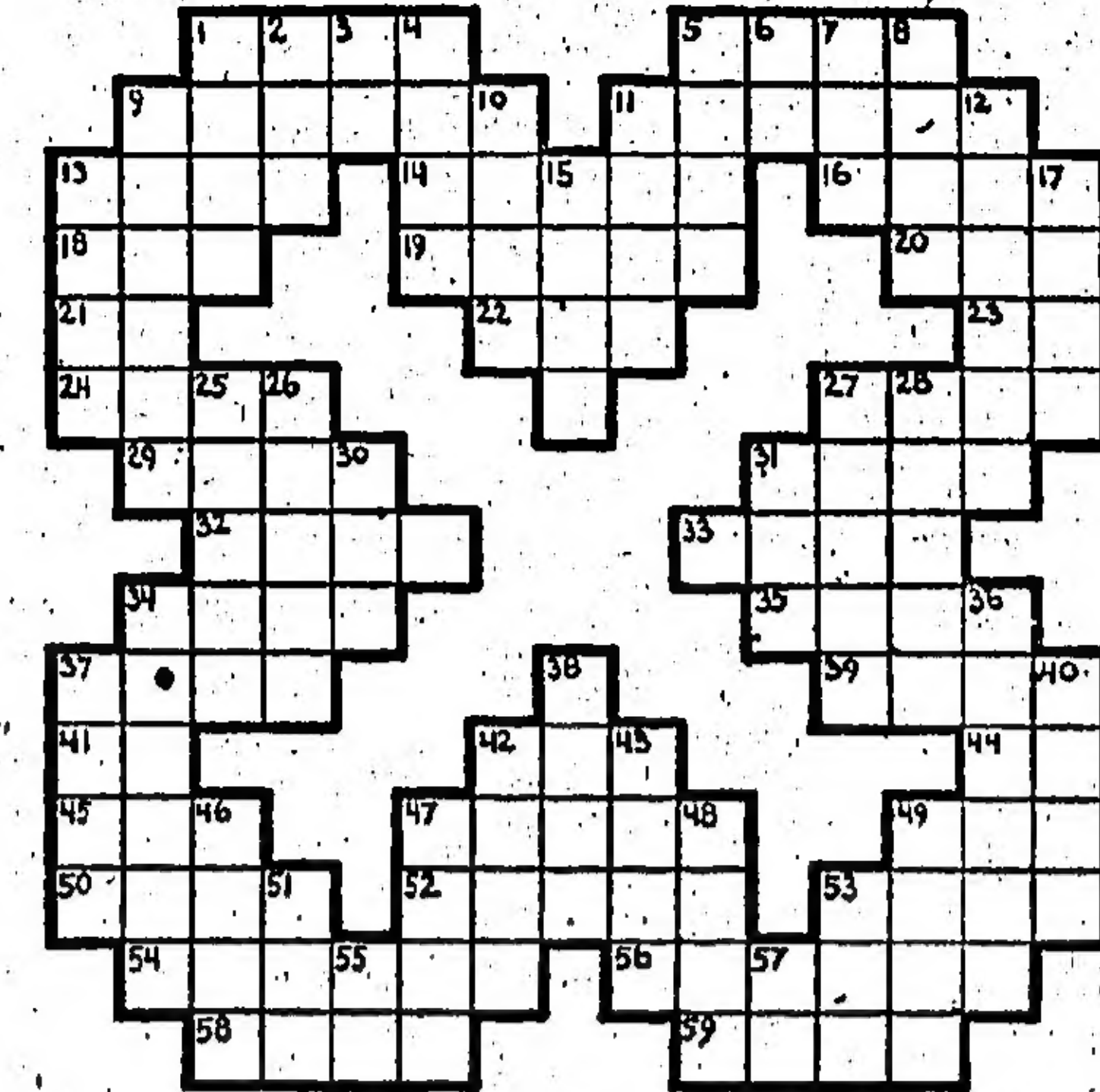
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which the segments are joined by a contact of carbon, dust may cause misfiring, in which case the distributor should be cleaned with a rag dipped in petrol. Improper adjustment of contact breaker points may also cause misfiring. Intermittent misfiring may, of course, also be due to a floating obstruction of the jet in the carburettor, or to water in the float chamber, which occasionally finds its way in globules into the jet. Spitting and other unusual sounds from the engine may be due to valves sticking up or to a broken valve spring. Occasionally valves made of poor material may warp and need truing up. Misfiring, coupled with a mechanical tapping sound, may be due to the valve tappet having slackened off too much, or misfiring without any accompanying noise may be due to the tappet clearance being insufficient, so that the valve never properly shuts.

The few hints given here should enable the average novice to extricate himself or herself from any minor roadside troubles. A little experience, with misadventures of the type mentioned will soon enable a driver to spot at once the most likely cause of any trouble.

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, flow, and altho.)



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### HORIZONTAL

- 1—Ancient city in Phoenicia
- 5—Walking-stick
- 9—Doffes
- 11—Pertaining to the earliest epoch of the Cenozoic era
- 13—To remove the bark from
- 14—Frighten
- 16—Chinese secret society
- 18—Girl's name
- 19—River in N. France
- 20—Dove
- 21—Without day (Latin-abbrev.)
- 22—A dessert
- 23—City in Chaldea (Bible)
- 24—Boy's plaything
- 25—Profound
- 26—A famous Swiss
- 31—Western State
- 32—Prevalent
- 33—Celestial body
- 34—Coughs
- 35—Greek god of love
- 37—A drug plant

### HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 39—Combining form. Within
- 41—Egyptian god
- 42—The (French)
- 44—Associate of Arts (abbr.)
- 45—Expiration
- 47—Enclosed place of land
- 48—About (abbr.)
- 50—Sour
- 52—Weird
- 53—Lubricates
- 54—Canted, as a ship
- 55—Bladed implement
- 58—Achievement
- 59—Enemies

### VERTICAL

- 1—Small guillemet bird
- 2—Aristic animal
- 3—Railroad (abbr.)
- 4—A kind of cheese
- 5—Approach
- 6—Befery Christ (Latin-abbrev.)
- 7—Earn as clear profit
- 8—Enough (poet.)
- 9—Robber
- 10—Abruptly (colloq.)
- 11—An eagle

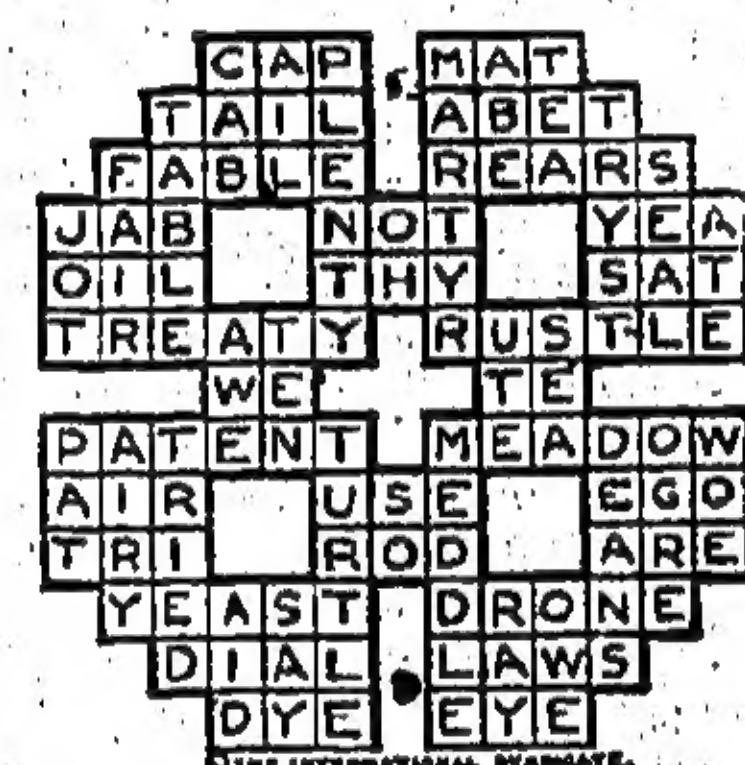
### VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12—Sufficient
- 13—To luxuriate, as in warmth
- 15—An air
- 17—To stab
- 22—Combining form. Complete
- 26—Omit in pronouncing
- 27—Look
- 28—First Jewish high priest
- 30—The (Spanish)
- 31—An American Indian
- 34—To bleach
- 35—Building for cattle
- 37—An open space
- 38—Look at attentively
- 40—A camel (pl.)
- 42—Told a falsehood
- 43—Unleash, as hounds
- 46—Expired
- 47—Nourish
- 48—Lacking one of the senses
- 49—Troubles
- 51—Scottish river famous for salmon
- 53—Brief poem
- 55—The (French)
- 57—Finish

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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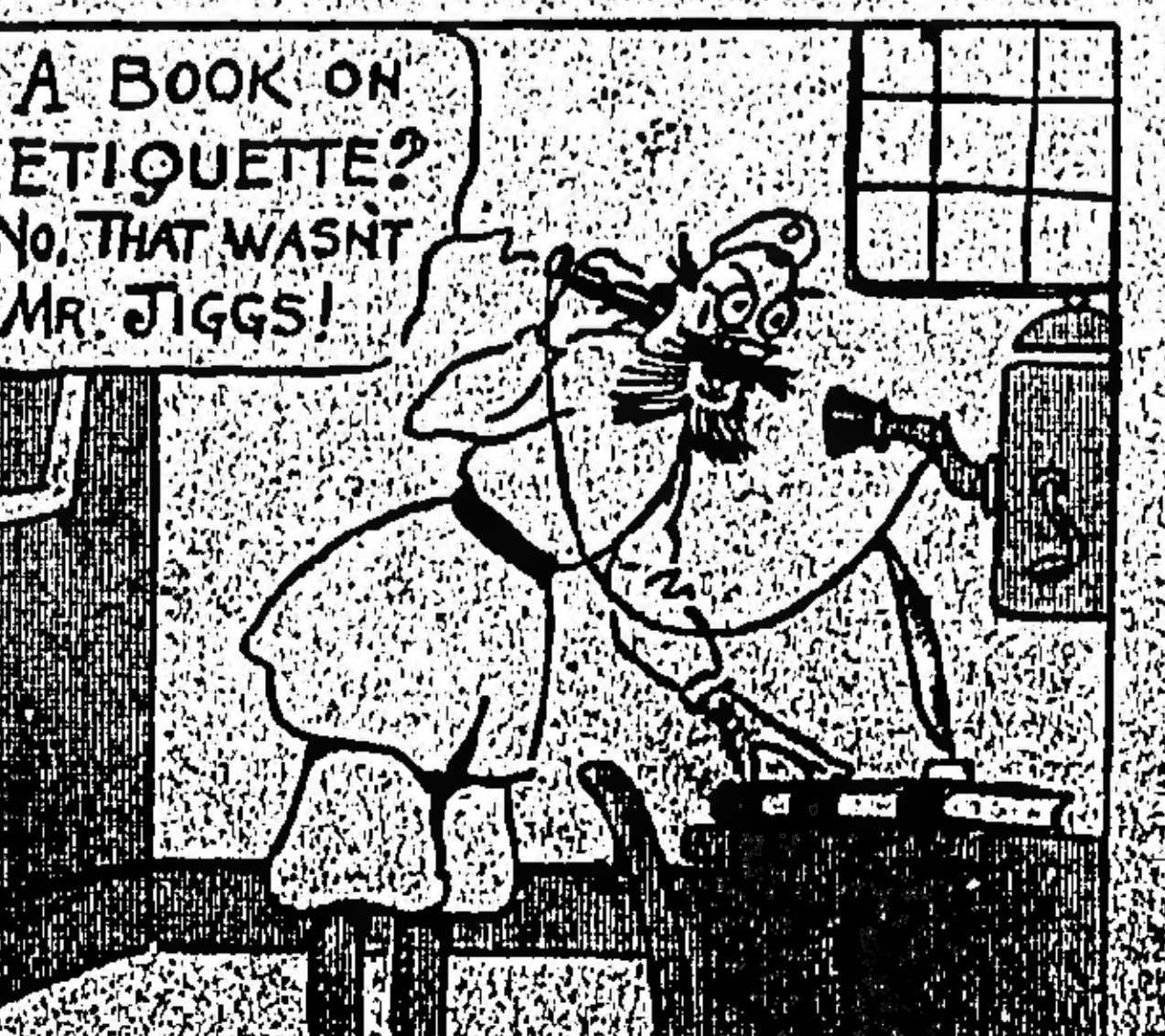
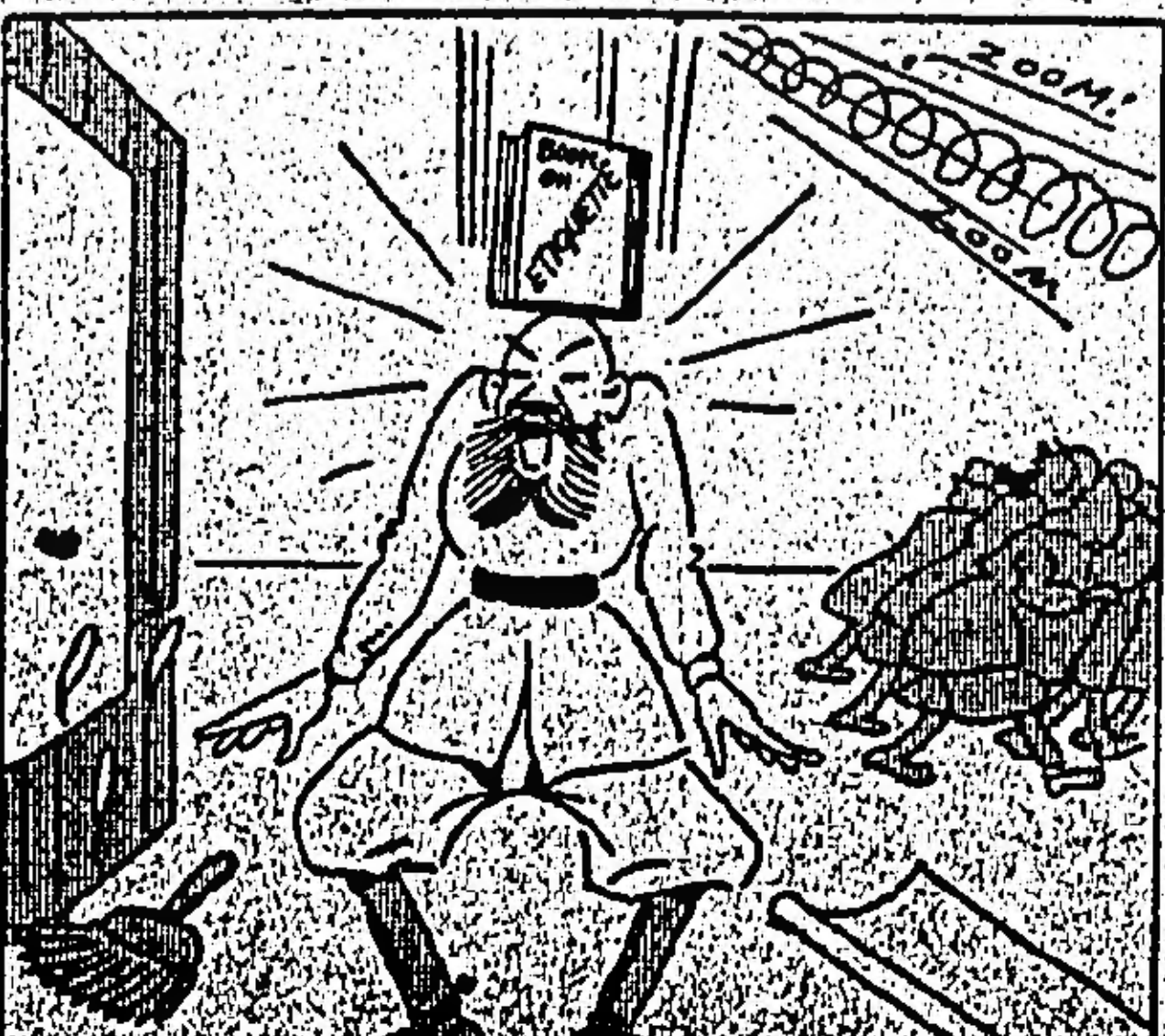
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## THIRD PRINCIPLE.

## CONFUSING POSITION IN CHINA.

Writing before Chiang Kai-shek resigned, the "Peking and Tientsin Times" stated in an editorial:—

The Wu-Han "Government" claims that it has now purged itself of its Communist elements, and that it has done so, not in response to the demands of General Feng Yu-hsiang, or the threats of Chiang Kai-shek, but in "continuation of the policy laid down by Dr. Sun Yat-sen, who was willing to admit communists into the party, but who always maintained that they were not to dominate the Kuomintang." This is the explanation of Sun Fo, the son of the author of the San Min principles. His widow, Mrs. Sun Yat-sen, however, appears to take a different view, for no sooner was the purging process started than she removed to the security of a foreign concession at Shanghai, and denounced the Wu-Han "government" for departing from her late husband's "principles." It is all very confusing, but this is only natural when an attempt is made to organise a "government" on political quackery. Dr. Sun Yat-sen never had any experience of administration, except as a revolutionary firebrand, who, while pretending to advocate democracy, and to uphold the will of the people, ordered the ruthless repression of any class or group which did not share his fantastic views. It seems possible to-day for any Chinese to profess approval of the political charity of the late Dr. Sun, whether he be a militarist, a bandit, a communist, or a richa coolie. And unfortunately there is no infallible authority upon their interpretation. No one can believe in the sincerity of a group, such as the Wu-Han "government" which at one moment is completely under communist domination, and denouncing all anti-communists as "reactionaries," and the next is proclaiming that the communists have been expelled in conformity with the principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and that "the move to rid the Government of them is a sincere one in every respect, and they cannot come back." Thus spoke General Tang Shen-chi to a recent interviewer at Hankow, after explaining at great length why a reconciliation with "an enemy of the Nationalist Government" such as Chiang Kai-shek was impossible, and why he intended to fight him.

Incidentally General Tang Shen-chi voiced his confidence in the loyalty of General Feng Yu-hsiang. "I am sure," he added, "that he will continue to support the Revolutionary cause, and have ample reason to know that my belief on this point is correct." This reads strangely after his statement to the same interviewer that the Wu-Han "Government" would ignore General Feng's invitation to a conference at Kaifeng to effect a compromise with the Nanking "government," as Feng had "no right whatever to send such a telegram or to call such a conference."

General Tang Shen-chi regards General Feng as the faithful friend and ally of the Wu-Han Government which, according to his own statements has just performed a complete political somersault, and discovered that the principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen require the final elimination of the communists. General Feng's own representative at Nanking, however, has announced his chief's intention "to fight against Wu-Han to the last soldier." He then proceeds naively to explain why it has been necessary for the most Christian General to disavow his affection for the Nanking "government." He is manoeuvring for a "dominating position." While doing so it would be foolish for him to disclose the fact that he and the Wu-Han "government" are not friends and brothers. When he has acquired that "dominating position" we shall see—what we shall see! Poor dear Feng is so sentimental these days. Hau Chien, one of the worst of the Wu-Han extremists has wept on his neck and confessed his sorrow over the manner in which he has allowed himself to be used by the Hankow communists. And so the "kind-hearted" Feng Yu-hsiang "has taken pity upon him, and treated him as an old comrade. One wonders what will happen when Comrade Borodin and General Feng meet. If only the wily Jacob can show himself sufficiently tearfully regretful, and bamboozle his kind-hearted host into believing that he too has been the victim of the wicked and unscrupulous communists at Hankow, perhaps he will also become an object of pity and comradeship, and alight on his feet at Chengchow, instead of proceeding homeward by motor-car across the Mongolian desert."

At the present moment Chiang Kai-shek is waging war against the Wu-Han "government" on the ground that it is dominated by communists, and the Wu-Han "government" is seeking to suppress him on the ground that he is "a military dictator and traitor." At the same time it claims that the communistic elements have been finally expelled, and that General Feng will support it. General Feng has associated himself with Nanking in demanding the expulsion of the alien and communist elements from Hankow, but will not fulfil his promise to fight against Wu-Han until he has manoeuvred himself into a "dominating position." He is daily expecting a visit from Comrade Borodin, who is ostensibly en route for Moscow, but who may, by producing Feng's Moscow receipts, on by "fearful regrets" secure comradely treatment. Every militarist faction in China of any consequence has now voiced its hostility to communism, and most of them profess to be fulfilling "the principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen." Never were the latter more popular. Even the unfortunate subordinates of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, who have recently been captured, are stated to have been kindly treated, and given the San Min principles to study. Will they, we wonder, be allowed to choose whether to ally themselves with Chiang Kai-shek, Tang Shen-chi, Ho Chien, Feng Yu-hsiang, or Yen Hsi-shan, when the prescribed course of study is completed. All of these noble warriors are staunch champions of the San Min principles, and yet no one can safely predict who will be fighting whom, to-morrow, to vindicate them. Mrs. Sun Yat-sen seems to have shown the greatest wisdom. Retirement from politics, and residence in a Foreign Concession under foreign police protection, certainly seem the safest course these days. For if the venerated Doctor's widow and son cannot agree upon the interpretation of the three principles it is hardly surprising that no one else can. And the French Concession at Shanghai obviously offers greater security to an "anti-imperialist" than the City or any of the Concessions at Hankow. It seems a great pity that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle cannot be sent for to obtain an authentic pronouncement upon "Taungli's" policy. The third principle, which Mrs. Sun declares to be at stake at the present time, concerns itself with the "livelihood of the people." All of China's factions—North and South, and East and West—seem to agree in interpreting it, in practice, to mean the destruction of every industry on which they can get their clutches. It appears to be merely a matter of degree, and opportunity—the extent to which this policy of destroying the livelihood of the people is carried. It has been carried to the greatest extremes in the Wu-Han cities. Now it is being applied on a large scale to Shanghai. And even Tientsin is being experimented upon.

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## CALL OF THE OPEN.

## REFLECTIONS OF AN OLD SOLDIER.

"Under the greenwood tree he-he, Who loves to lie with me-he-he, And toon . . ."

It was at this juncture that the Old Soldier, ceasing from his labour in knocking down a loosened heel-peg at the latter end of a horse, lobbied a mallet at the sonneteer. Profanely replacing music (charitably so described) testified to accuracy of aim.

"That's what they mean when they talk about the 'Call of the Open,' I suppose," remarked the Old Soldier. A bandolier over his shoulder denoted the fact that he was no line-guard over the quietly chewing lines of troop horses. The cares of duty, however, sat lightly on his broad shoulders. The contentment of fine weather was upon horses and men alike. Few of the human members of the unit, indeed, were visible at all.

Seating himself on a sack of oats, with another open one before him, the Old Soldier commenced, leisurely, to fill the feed-bags against the evening feed, keeping a wary eye on his charges the while.

"Funny thing—camp life," he murmured. "It's the sun, I suppose, and the smell of the hay on the lines; and the wood-smoke driftin' up from the hole in the ground where the cooks wrestle with the ration beef. Affects diff'rent people diff'rent ways, y'know. Some cut big sticks out of trees and spend their time carvin' their names on 'em. Some stop shavin'—and get spun up accordin'—Some (indicating his recent target) starts a-singin' like bloomin' linnetts."

The Old Soldier paused in his soliloquy to anathematise—very completely and systematically—a horse that was attempting to make a meal off the sleek carcass of its neighbour.

"Fresh-Air Merchants. 'Of course,' he went on, "it gets the civvies down even worse, this 'back to the open spaces' business. There's some as take to writin' bits o' poetry, wearin' short trousers and eating nuts. Some get out as far as Hampstead Heath, and change hats with one another. I don't know, though, as that's entirely the effect of the open air. There's Jack Straw's Castle and the Bull and Bush. There's no accountin' I'm all for being under a roof of sorts myself. Most of these fresh air merchants must have comfortable homes. Nine little semi-detached villas and things, with French names and blue curtains."

"Then there's these music hall wallahs—them that sing songs about 'Gimme the open road' or 'We ply on the emerald sea, trails.' It's easy enough to sing that sort o' stuff when you know jolly well there's a hot radiator an' a bottle o' stout in the dressing-room."

"It's a diff'rent sort o' tune when you're sitting on a wet bank holding on to a fidgety 'orse waiting for the blinking dawn—all because an 'enemy force has crossed the river South of the A in Aldershot.' And the enemy is well out of it cause he's generally 'maginary. View-point they call it, don't they?"

"'Uman nature's devilish awkward, speaking general. Now look at the War. There must be bin any amount of open air 'thrusts' listed then—boy scouts; and people that sleep on the tennis court in the summer. Yet no sooner did they get turned loose in a field and told to make 'emselves at home, than they dived for cover right away—moaned when they found it. They'd dig holes in banks; rig up tampoos out of oat sacks; sleep with the cows—anything rather than lay out in Gawde's fresh air. I knew one bloke that said he'd heard of a case once where a soldier went mad thro' 'sleeping with the moon on his face.' All this blue vault of Heaven business didn't seem to work out in practice."

The Old Soldier made a sudden dive into the lines and disengaged a charger that had wound a hay net in artistic but unorthodox fashion about its forelegs.

## Spit and Polish.

"Fact o' the matter is, no one ever knows when he's well off. That's 'uman, that is. Now take rifling—cleaning things up. You'd think from the way chaps talk, all the polish the Army ever did was brought on by the Sergeant-Majors. If soldiers were left to themselves you'd expect to find 'em growing beards, and holding their swords under the tap purpose to let 'em rust."

"But it don't work out—not by a long chalk. We had our chance in the War. I don't remember being ordered to clean so much as a darn button, not till we started ourselves. Some 'mobs even went so far as to paint their cap badges khaki; but it wasn't so long before chaps was getting little bits o' sand and stuff to clean the paint off. And o' course the more we cleaned the more we cribbed, that being the tradition of the Army."

"We had a bit of a song about it too—'It's a long war but a posh one.' Now all sorts of people won the War—we've been trying to find out ever since. I shouldn't be surprised, though, if 'spit and polish' didn't have a goodish bit to do with it. Erase 'spit and polish' as the signallers—would say) and put in 'self respect' and that's just about why we kept our tails up."

"Now a bloke what can sit quiet in a front-line trench polishing up a razor-case—like I saw our C.O.'s servant doing once—is a likely sort of chap to help win a war. It's my belief that if they'd let old Jerry stick to his pre-war 'elmet, with its nice big brass plate on the front, and issued him out with Cherry Blossom for them big boots of his, we'd have had a lot more trouble with him than we did."

The Old Soldier hauled a battered watch from the depths of a trouser pocket and consulted its glassless dial. Plunging in at the entry of a tent, he seized a protruding human heel and dragged. Precisely as the Squadron Orderly Corporal appeared the Old Soldier produced his Relief—awake but acid. From the same pocket that garaged his watch he unearthed a knife, table, and a "fork, soldier's," and headed for the mess tent. The open air treatment called for its auxiliary diet.—Ex.

## MRS. SUN.

## SHELTERS IN FRENCHTOWN IN SHANGHAI.

The Wu-Han "government" claims that it has now purged itself of its communist elements, and that it has done so, not in response to the demands of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, or the threats of Chiang Kai-shek, but in "continuation of the policy laid down by Dr. Sun Yat-sen, who was willing to admit communists into the party, but who always maintained that they were not to dominate the Kuomintang." This is the explanation of Sun Fo, the son of the author of the San Min principles. His widow, Mrs. Sun Yat-sen, however, appears to take a different view, for no sooner was the purging process started than she removed to the security of a foreign concession at Shanghai, and denounced the Wu-Han "government" for departing from her late husband's "principles."

It is all very confusing, but this is only natural when an attempt is made to organise a "government" on political quackery. Dr. Sun Yat-sen never had any experience of administration, except as a revolutionary firebrand, who, while pretending to advocate democracy, and to uphold the will of the people, ordered the ruthless repression of any class or group which did not share his fantastic views. It seems possible to-day for any Chinese to profess approval of the political charity of the late Dr. Sun, whether he be a militarist, a bandit, a communist, or a richa coolie. And unfortunately there is no infallible authority upon their interpretation. No one can believe in the sincerity of a group, such as the Wu-Han "government" which at one moment is completely under communist domination, and denouncing all anti-communists as "reactionaries," and the next is proclaiming that the communists have been expelled in conformity with the principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and that "the move to rid the Government of them is a sincere one in every respect, and they cannot come back." Thus spoke General Tang Shen-chi to a recent interviewer at Hankow, after explaining at great length why a reconciliation with "an enemy of the Nationalist Government" such as Chiang Kai-shek was impossible, and why he intended to fight him.

Mrs. Sun Yat-sen seems to have shown the greatest wisdom. Retirement from politics, and residence in a Foreign Concession under foreign police protection, certainly seem the safest course these days. For if the venerated Doctor's widow and son cannot agree upon the interpretation of the three principles it is hardly surprising that no one else can. And the French Concession at Shanghai obviously offers greater security to an "anti-imperialist" than the City or any of the Concessions at Hankow. It seems a great pity that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle cannot be sent for to obtain an authentic pronouncement upon the "Taungli's" policy. The third principle, which Mrs. Sun declares to be at stake at the present time, concerns itself with the "livelihood of the people." All of China's factions—North and South, and East and West—seem to agree in interpreting it, in practice, to mean the destruction of every industry on which they can get their clutches. It appears to be merely a matter of degree, and opportunity—the extent to which this policy of destroying the livelihood of the people is carried. It has been carried to the greatest extremes in the Wu-Han cities. Now it is being applied on a large scale to Shanghai. And even Tientsin is being experimented upon.—P. and T. Times.

## CITY GARBAGE.

## ELABORATE VENTURE FOR BANGKOK.

A petition outlining a plan for the operation of a garbage incinerator and for the collection of city refuse was submitted to the Minister of Interior in Bangkok on August 1, says the "Bangkok Daily Mail."

According to the details of the scheme which were outlined by Nai Hong Navanugraha, waste would be handled according to rules set down by the Health Department in the event of acceptance by the Ministry. A Siamese company with a capital stock of Tcs. 400,000 would be formed.

Nai Hong Navanugraha is connected with the On Weng Company who are operating under the direction of the Department of Municipal Affairs. He has made a concentrated study of the operation of garbage incinerators in Singapore and Penang and the method of refuse collection used in those cities and he is of the firm belief that what has been done successfully in the F.M.S. can be done here. Waste material here, he pointed out, is of the same nature as that in Singapore and Penang.

Use Small Tubs. He proposes to place 200 to 250 covered rubbish tubs each with a capacity of one cubic metre throughout the city. These will be arranged in such a way that collection lorries, which his company will buy, will lift the tubs by machinery into the trucks, clean them and replace them, thus doing away with the present method of raking and shovelling.

Motor lorries will be used for collection on thoroughfares and in narrow lanes hand carts will be used which will transport the garbage thus collected to the motor cars.

A suitable place will be found for the erection of a garbage depot and incinerator such as is used in the F.M.S. The incinerator will have a burning capacity of 200 to 250 cubic metres per 24 hours. For rubbish too wet to burn immediately a shed will be built along sanitary lines where the garbage will be dried before incineration.

Everything will be done, Nai Hong said, to satisfy the authorities regarding strict sanitation and all their suggestions will be followed out to the letter.

Charge Tcs. 10,000. Those submitting the petition propose a charge of Tcs. 10,000 per month to cover the cost of buying, trucks, tubs, land, incinerator and other equipment and salaries.

Should the amount of garbage increase, Nai Hong said, that Tcs. 2,000 would be charged for every 50 cubic metre over the stated amount covered by Tcs. 10,000.

As security and insurance that the details of the petition will be carried out Tcs. 5,000 will be deposited. A concession of 15 years is sought.

Nai Hong explained that work will begin immediately upon acceptance of the petition. Details would have to be worked out with the Department, equipment would have to be bought and the incinerator built. It would take six to eight months before the plan would be in operation.

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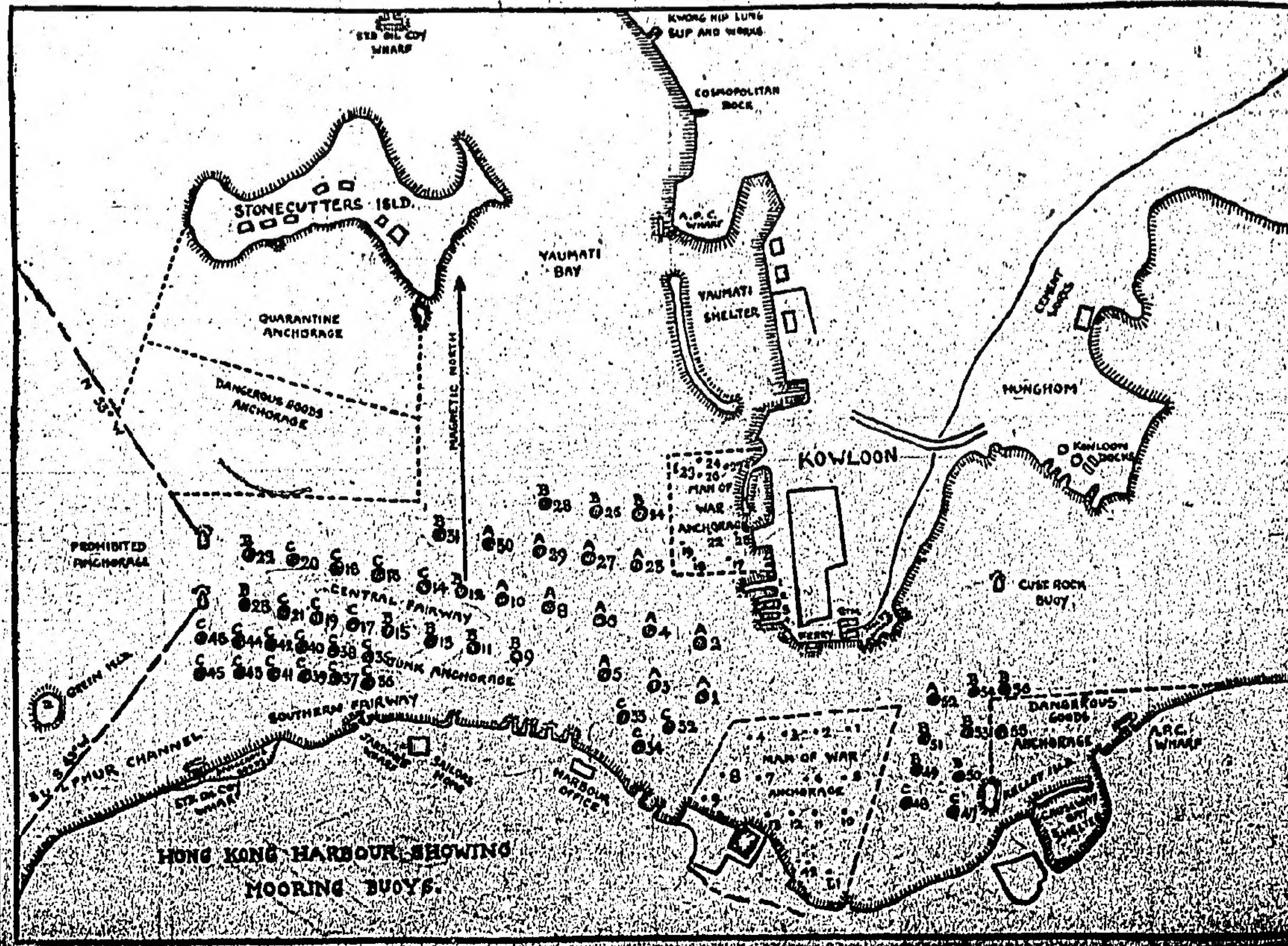
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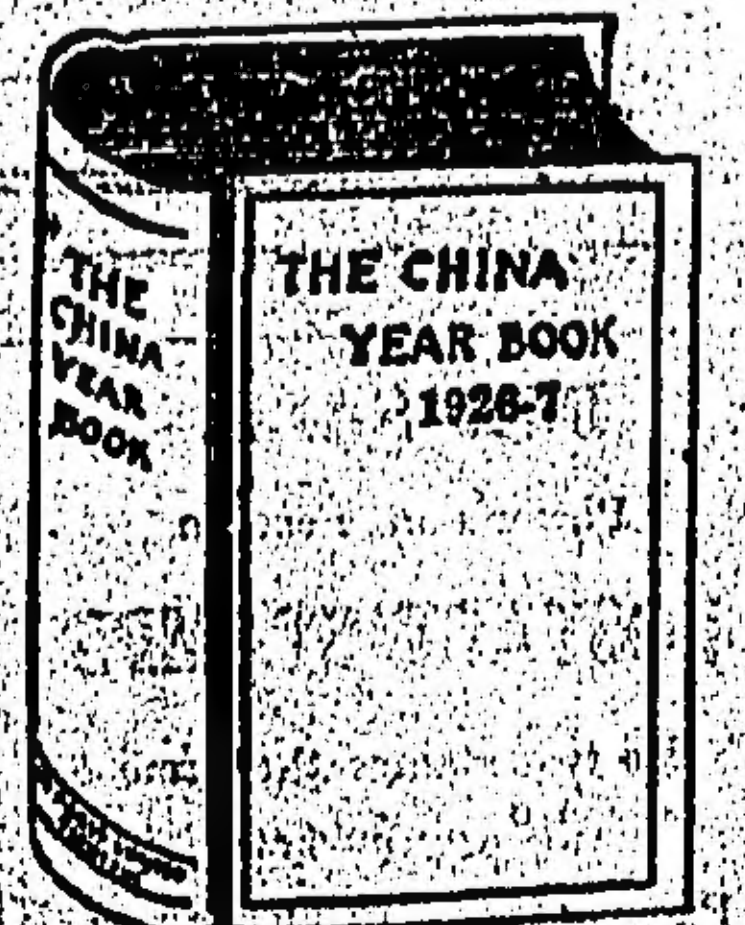
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### Kicked by a Horse.

During a mounted display by the Royal Artillery at the annual flower show and carnival at Bexley Heath, Kent, a soldier was kicked by a horse and had to be taken to hospital.

Stated to be the leader of a band of criminals, Harry Isaac Spencer, aged 35, formerly a constable in the Metropolitan Police Force, was sentenced at the Old Bailey to twelve months' hard labour for receiving stolen property.

The children of Rome bewail the loss of their favourite elephant, Pluto. Transported from Sumatra, Pluto was the children's favourite. Pluto fell ill and on July 15 a whole pall of cognac was administered, followed by 20 eggs beaten up in cognac, but all of no avail.

The conference of the Greater London branch of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution and representatives of the Ladies' Lifeboat Guilds at Westminster City Hall, have decided to recommend the social Tuesday before Easter for next year's Lifeboat Day collection.

### Champion Sculler.

Joe Wright, jun., Canada's champion sculler, returned home from Liverpool on July 11 in the White Star liner "Doric." It will be recalled that he lost the race for the Diamond Sculls at Henley by the very narrow margin of 2ft. He was accompanied by his father, the famous rowing coach, winner of twelve world championships, and the best known figure in Canadian sport.

### Canal Tragedy Echo.

For the funeral of Miss Olive Gordon Turner, the 18-years-old victim of the Birmingham canal tragedy, the garden in front of her home was filled with wreaths, and many more were placed in an adjoining garden.

Alleged to have been seen giving money away, Reginald Stephen Robinson, aged 17, of Bingley, Yorks, at Blackpool, was ordered to be handed over to the Bingley Police, the Chief Constable stated that a charge of false pretences was to be made.

"I gave some of the property to a man who has been terrifying me for years," said Lily Morcom, aged 27, a waitress, who was remanded at Marylebone on a charge of stealing from a boarding house in Queensborough Terrace, Bayswater, W., where she had been employed.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cory, of Seaview, Penarth, celebrated their golden wedding on July 10, having been married at Roath Wesleyan Church, Cardiff, in 1877. Mrs. Cory was Miss Anna Willis, daughter of George Willis, one of Cardiff's first shipowners, and Mr. Cory is a member of the firm of John Cory and Sons, of Cardiff, shipowners.

A monthly service from Antwerp to Beira, via the Suez Canal, has been inaugurated by the Compagnie Americaine de Navigation, a Belgian line. There are five ships in the fleet and they average 8,000 tons. The line is a member of the South and East African conference and will touch at Kilindini, Mombasa, Dar-es-Salaam, Beira, and Port Elizabeth.

### Karachi Trade.

The chairman of the Karachi Chamber of Commerce, at the annual general meeting of the chamber, stated that of the exports from Karachi for the year ended March, 1927, less than half were carried by British ships, and he called the attention of British shipowners to this fact.

On June 1 American shipyards were building or under contract to build for private shipowners 221 steel vessels of 192,346 gross tons, compared with 221 steel vessels at 206,337 gross tons on May 1, according to the Bureau of Navigation, Department of Commerce. There were 49 wooden vessels of 42,673 gross tons building or under contract to build for private shipowners during the same period, compared with 55 wooden vessels of 28,923 gross tons on May 1.

### Amazona Cruise.

The Booth liner "Hildebrand" sailed from the Mersey on July 12 for Portugal, Madeira, and North Brazil on the 1,000 miles up the Amazona cruise. Among those travelling by the liner were nine members of the Oxford and Cambridge Travel Club, who are the first organized party from the universities to make the Amazona cruise during their long vacation. It is hoped that the club will make it an annual feature. Mr. J. Mansell, manager of the Para tramways, who is also returning home in the Hildebrand after a holiday tour in this country, usually places special facilities at the disposal of Booth Line tourists on their arrival at Para. Mr. E. Garland, the Booth Line agent at Oporto, is also returning home in the liner.

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## SOVIET OUTBURST.

Vocal Resentment At Conference.

### LACK OF TACT.

Delegation Sings Internationale In Union.

Stockholm, Yesterday. The International Co-operative Congress has rejected the Russian proposals favouring co-operation with the Amsterdam international and embodying plans for a future policy of international co-operative alliance. The Russians at the closing session staged an unexpected demonstration of protest against the opposition to their proposals. At the moment the great organ in the conference hall began to peal out the final march, the Russian delegation rose and sang the "Internationale" in unison.

All the newspapers comment on the incident as showing a "deplorable lack of tact."

Reuter.

ATTEMPT TO DISTURB FRENCH COLONIES.

### PLOT REVEALED.

Paris, Yesterday. "Le Matin" publishes several letters, forming correspondence between Volkoff, Russian Military Attaché in Paris, and Krestinski, the Soviet Ambassador in Berlin, and Comrade Gollhofer in London, showing the co-operation between the Soviet Government and the leaders of the Third International in order to disorganize the French Colonial Empire and cause revolt among the Moroccan tribes.

## WORD "NATIVE."

OBJECTION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

London, July 28. In the House of Commons, Brig-Gen. J. Charteris (Conservative) asked whether any further information was available regarding the alleged assault on a native in Spencer's Hotel, Madras.

Mr. G. Lansbury (Labour) asked whether it was in order to describe a fellow subject in India as a "native."

The Speaker said that he was not aware that any exception would be taken to the description, but if Mr. Lansbury submitted a point of order he would look into it.

Earl Winterton replied to Brig-Gen. Charteris in the negative, and added that unofficial information had reached him, upon which he preferred not to comment until it had been verified by the Government of India, if verification were possible at such a late date.

His information tended entirely to contradict Mr. Tom Shaw's statement. (Ministerial cheers).

When Mr. Lansbury again referred to the use of the word "native," Earl Winterton said that, to the best of his belief, there was an official order in India that no civil or Crown servants should refer to an inhabitant of India as a native. (Labour cheers).

The Speaker said that in that case he was convinced that all members would be glad to follow what had been established in India, but he would look into the matter.

Brig-Gen. Charteris said that he intended no reflection. One calls oneself with pride a native of Scotland.

## AIR RACE.

GROSVENOR CHALLENGE CUP.

London, Aug. 1. Mrs. Elliott Lynn, piloting a D.H. "Moth," carried off the principal face of the day at the Rucknall Flying Meeting, at Nottingham, easily winning the Grosvenor Challenge Cup, over a course of 17 miles, with the Master of Sempill second. There were six competitors. Mrs. Lynn also beat Lady Aba Bailey in the women's pilots' race of 8½ miles by a length. Times of Ceylon.

## HOME SPINNERS.

DISCUSSION ON WORKING PROBLEMS.

### PRICES AND OUTPUT.

London, Yesterday.

It is announced that a Manchester round table conference has been arranged between representatives of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners associations and the Cotton Yarn Association to try and promote unity of action on the Association's policy of maximum prices and reduced output.—Reuter.

## AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE.

REDUCTION IN ARMY AND NAVY ESTIMATES.

Melbourne, Yesterday.

The Minister of Defence has decided to reduce the Navy estimates by £125,000 and the Army estimates by £48,000 for the sake of economy. A further £27,000 will be saved in the estimates of the Air Force, civil aviation and the munitions supply branch.—Reuter.

## LORD TERRINGTON.

QUIET WEDDING AT BOULOGNE.

Boulogne, July 29.

Lord Terrington was permitted by the British authorities to leave the hospital, to which he subsequently returned after marrying at the British Consulate, Mrs. de Vere-Humphrey, who accompanied him from the Riviera to Boulogne, and has been in devoted attendance on him at the hospital.

The marriage ceremony was a very quiet one.—Times of Ceylon.

Earlier Boulogne messages stated: March 18.—Lord Terrington has been detained on the arrival of the boat express from Paris. He is boarding the boat for Folkestone when he was stopped. Lord Terrington asked for a doctor, who ordered his immediate removal to the hospital. A policeman is remaining there at his bedside.

March 20.—The head doctor of the hospital, where Lord Terrington lies ill, has recommended the postponement of the preliminary examination until Monday, and declared that any sudden shock might be fatal in the present condition of the patient.

Later, Lord Terrington motored to the Law Courts, where it is understood that he protested against his arrest. The public prosecutor refused a request that he should be allowed to leave the hospital and go to a hotel, and also declined to remove the policeman on guard, but undertook to instruct the latter not to make a noise or smoke. March 19.—The Police Commissioner states that he was informed by telegram on March 17 by the Sureté Generale, Paris, that the British authorities had applied for the arrest of Lord Terrington on a new extradition warrant. Lord Terrington will be detained in hospital until he is fit for removal to prison, pending the completion of the extradition formalities.

Leave to file a specification of an invention for improvements in or relating to buckets and bucket elevators and dredges has been granted to Mr. F. H. Cothay, mining engineer, and Ropp Tin Ltd., Singapore.

In view of the contemplated imposition of the new 12½ per cent. ad valorem tax on yarns produced by local cotton mills from September 1, Shanghai Chinese cotton mill owners have requested the government to reduce the rate to 7½ per cent. according to a report in the Chinese newspapers, but the petition has not been replied to.

British and Japanese cotton mill owners will not recognize the new tax, the reports state, and are quite prepared to close down their mills in the event of the new tax being enforced.

## HOME CRICKET.

Rain Stops County Games.

### KENT'S BIG WIN.

Taunton Match Yields Three Centuries.

London, Yesterday.

Kent at Taunton defeated Somerset by 319 runs.

The visitors scored 345 (Hardinge 154, Ashdown 112) and 243 for two wickets (Bryan 128, Hardinge 82 not out).

Somerset made 214 and 55, Wright taking six wickets for 29 runs.

The following games were not decided and do not count in the championship table, there being no play on the second and third days:—

Middlesex v. Worcester at Lords. Middlesex made 178 and Worcester 26 for two.

Gloucester v. Essex at Leyton. Gloucester scored 199. Essex scored 75 for five.

Warwick v. Surrey at Birmingham. Surrey scored 231. Warwick made 67 for two.

Leicester v. Hampshire at Ashby-de-la-Zouch. Leicester scored 184. Hants made 81 for five.

Derbyshire v. Yorkshire at Chesterfield. Derby scored 157. Yorkshire scored 92 for five.

Jupp Shines.

The following match was drawn:—

Lancashire v. New Zealand at Manchester. Lancashire scored 229 (E. Tyldesley 124). New Zealand 67 for one wicket.

Notts, at Northampton, took first innings points from Northamptonshire.

Northants scored 152 and 169 for six (Jupp 88 and 62).

Notts made 281 for six declared, Jupp taking five wickets for 62.

Glamorgan took first innings points from Sussex.

Glamorgan made 207 for nine and declared, Bowley taking six wickets for 69.

Sussex scored 118.—Reuter.

## MAYOR WALKER.

HIS "BUGGY RIDE."

New York, Yesterday.

Mayor Walker, although on holiday, rang up his secretary at the City Hall here from London and discussed housing and other important municipal matters.

The Secretary said that he heard Mr. Walker as if he had been in New York.

Alongside the long accounts of the unremitting search by forty warships and seaplanes for the missing Honolulu fliers, the papers are splashing copious accounts from London correspondents of Mayor Walker's activities in England.

An immense impression has been created by the cordiality of London's welcome, and the announcement that Mr. Walker intends to ride in the Lord Mayor's coach is the sensation of the hour.

As an instance the heading across the front page of one journey reads: "Jimmy to get buggy ride in London."

## PUBLIC SAFETY.

DRASTIC ACTION PROPOSED IN IRELAND.

London, July 24.

Drastic penalties are laid down by the new Public Safety Bill, which the Irish Free State Government propose to introduce in the Dail Eireann.

Provision has been made declaring certain associations unlawful, and making persons convicted of membership of such associations liable to a maximum sentence of five years' penal servitude.

Persons associated with the activities of these organizations will be liable to expulsion from the Free State.

Special courts may be established, to include military officers as well as judges, and there shall be no appeal from them.

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